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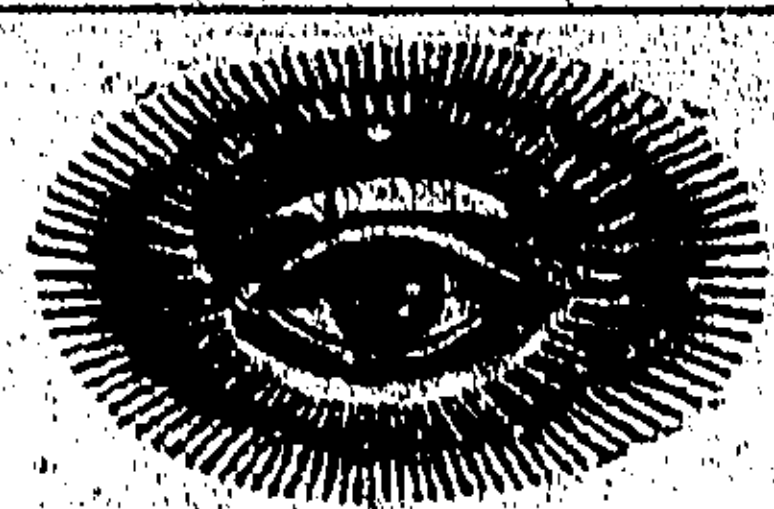
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SOVIET VESSEL SEIZED.

Mrs. Borodin Detained at Nanking.

SOUTHERNERS' DIFFERENCES.

Split Between Military and Labour Sections.

Wireless messages received by the naval authorities in Hong Kong confirm the report that a Soviet vessel has been detained at Nanking with Mrs. Borodin on board.

According to a Hankow message received in Hong Kong through the same channel, there are definite indications of a split between the military and labour sections of the Nationalist Party.

NAVAL WIRELESS NEWS.

Mrs. Borodin Detained at Nanking.

The following wireless messages were received over-night by the local naval authorities:—

The Soviet vessel "Byrnei-men," with Mrs. Borodin (wife of the Russian High Adviser to the Nationalist Government) on board, has been detained at Nanking owing to the finding of ammunition in the bunkers.

Marshals Sun Chuan-fang and Chang Tsung-chang, who have been on a visit of inspection to the front, and afterwards went to Shanghai, have returned to Nanking.

Shantung troops are delayed in Pukow, possibly due to reported detection of Anhui troops to the North.

Strike at Hankow.
A strike of carrying coolies at Hankow at the Soony installation has spread to the A.P.C. installation, and a small demonstration has been held.

A number of troops have left down-river from Hankow.

There are definite indications of a split between the Labour and military sections of the Nationalist Party and Labour parties, states a Hankow message.

Telegraphic communication with Wuhu has been interrupted. The British s.s. "Kutwo" at Wuhu has been detained due to a collision with a military launch towing junk resulting in the sinking of the launch.

The Vice-Consul has proceeded to Wuhu to investigate.

The situation at Ichang is much easier on account of the signing of the agreement by which go-down and other employees returned to work.

One transport proceeded down-river from Chinkiang yesterday.

SHANGHAI DEFENCE.

Many Questions In House of Commons.

London, March 3.
In the House of Commons, Comdr. Kenworthy (Labour) asked what instructions had been given to the G.O.C. at Shanghai regarding the occupation of Chinese territory outside the Concession, "seeing that British troops had occupied positions beyond the boundaries of the Concession."

Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, declined in the public interest to disclose the terms of the instructions.

Subsequently he replied to Mr. R. C. Wallhead (Labour) stating that in view of the delicate situation which had arisen at Shanghai, the British troops had taken up precautionary positions in the defensive line partly outside the Settlement limits. Italian forces were collaborating in this. He was unable to say whether the Italian posts were actually placed outside the Settlement.

Tactical Necessities.
Sir Austen Chamberlain added that the occupation of this particular position was dictated by tactical necessities.

Mr. Wallhead asked whether the operation infringed territoriality and neutrality. Sir Austen Chamberlain said that when danger arises troops must be placed in a position effectively to discharge the duty of protecting British lives for which they had been sent.

Col. J. C. Wedgwood (Labour) asked if neither Northern nor Southern troops would be allowed within whatever territory was at present occupied by the British.

Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that it was for the purpose of keeping armed forces, armed individuals, fugitives or stragglers from the armies out of the Settlement.

ment, and therefore avoiding the dangers inherent therein to British lives, that the troops were there.

Impartial.
The Rev. C. Stephen (Labour) asked whether Chinese troops from the North had entered Shanghai, whether Chang, had been permitted to take up headquarters in the International Settlement, whether the Cantonese, if they arrive opposite the British lines, will also be permitted to enter the city.

Sir Austen Chamberlain denied that troops had entered the International Settlement or that Chang had established his headquarters in the Settlement.

He added that in the contingency foreshadowed the action of the British forces would continue to be governed by a policy of complete neutrality and impartiality as between the contending forces.

America and Shanghai.
Mr. Howard Bury asked if Press reports were true that the United States was acting independently at Shanghai.

Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that they were taking independently such measures as they think right.

Sir Austen Chamberlain told Lt.-Col. Sir J. Nall that there was no rivalry between the United States and ourselves.

He told Col. Wedgwood that His Majesty's Government throughout had endeavoured to act in harmony, and wherever possible in full co-operation with the other Powers.—**Reuter.**

RECENT FIRING.

Intended to Provoke Reply.

Shanghai, Feb. 25.
Evidence which has been unearthed by the Chinese authorities, naval and military, reveals the astonishing fact that the haphazard bombardment of the French Concession on Tuesday night was a deliberate act of provocation ordered by two Chinese gunboat captains who were in the pay of the Red Southern army, says the "North China Daily News." It is certain, among other things, that the orders issued by the two officers in question never covered the shelling of the Arsenal or of any other Northern military establishment, but were to shell the French Concession indiscriminately.

A clumsy effort was made to provide an excuse for this murderous attack on the Chinese and foreign civilian populations. A junk was towed down stream between the Chinese gunboats and the Shanghai bank of the river and when it was in line with the settlements, brisk rifle fire was opened on the gunboats from the junk. The bombardment which followed was to have been excused as a piece of bad shooting in reply to this assault. Since the shelling of the French Concession did not have the desired effect of prompting a counter bombardment that could have been used for propaganda purposes, the two captains booted to avoid the inevitable investigation and at the time of writing have not yet been found.

Absurd Story.
The Chinese naval authorities naturally got very busy at once in their search for a motive for this amazing performance and are said to have overwhelming evidence to prove that the two culprits were in the pay of the Cantonese, who are as usual anxious to force any or all of the Powers into taking drastic action which can be advertised as impartialistic aggression, both in China and through the usual Red medium abroad.

STRUCK ON HEAD.

Bible Society Man in Yunnan.

ATTACKED BY SOLDIERS.

Another attack on a foreigner in the interior of China has to be recorded.

The victim this time is Mr. H. N. Bishop, representative in Yunnan province (extreme south-west of China) of the British & Foreign Bible Society.

The narrative, as related by Mr. Bishop himself, was sent by the "China Mail" correspondent at Yunnanfu on Feb. 22.

Under present political conditions, the culprit soldiers can best

OUR \$50 PRIZE.

Cross-Word Puzzle Competition Result.
The result of the "China Mail's" sixth Cross-Word Puzzle Competition will be found on page 6 of this issue. Twenty competitors tied for first place, with no errors at all.

be described as "neutral" as they sympathise neither with the North nor with the Nationalists.

Struck From Behind.
The report reads:—

"I was walking on the city wall from the north gate of Yunnanfu going westwards on the evening of Feb. 21 (about 8 p.m.) when I noticed that two soldiers were following behind, but took no notice, only stopping at an opening (where the wall was broken) to allow them to get in front. This, however, they did not do, but waited until I went on again."

"Proceeding a few hundred yards further, I came to another opening and stopped to take a look at the scenery. On hearing one of the soldiers' approach behind me, I turned to see what he wanted, and received the full force of a blow from a large stone on my

"SUNNING" PIRATES.

Two More Hanged This Morning.

Two of the remaining four condemned "Sunning" pirates were hanged in Victoria Jail early this morning. As in the case of their two companions, the execution was simultaneous and without incident.

An inquest was held in Major Wilson's Court at 2.30 p.m. when the usual verdict was returned.

right temple, bringing me down and, rolling over, I struck the side of my head also, but fortunately did not lose consciousness.

"I heard the second soldier urging the first to throw another stone, but I got up with an effort just in time to dodge the second and asked what it meant."

Scared by Air-Pistol.
"Suddenly I remembered that I had an air-pistol in my pocket, which I took out and pointed at my assailant whereupon they took to their heels and ran off."

"I have no doubt in my own mind that they meant murder and robbery, and but for the fact of having my air-pistol, they would probably have accomplished their purpose, for I was not fit to put up a fight after having been felled."

Chinese Soldiers' Law.
The "China Mail" correspondent continues:—

There will probably be no redress, but an apology with an assurance that it will never occur again."

As a "side-light" on this unprovoked attack a few days ago a richa coolie accidentally bumped into a soldier on one of the main streets, when the soldier turned on him, knocked one of his eyes out, and then killed him—this in the open light of day and on a busy street.

The soldier went into a tea-shop just by and drank his tea as if nothing unusual had happened.

It is further said that the French authorities have been much quoted recently in Kuomin-tang propaganda as boasting that if the Concession were endangered by proximity to a Chinese battle, they would put an end to hostilities by shelling the Arsenal and the Chinese gunboats. This absurd story was presumably meant to pave the way for "impartial" versions of any incident which the "accidental" shelling of the Concession might have provoked.

"MAN TO MAN."

Premier and Colliery Disaster.

BOOED BY THE MINERS.

Rugby, March 2.
Sir Philip Cunliffe Lister, President of the Board of Trade, stated in the House of Commons that there was no possibility of any more men being rescued alive from the Cwm mine.

"Exploration showed that the 'black vein seam' in which twenty-eight men were entombed was full of gas. He feared therefore that the total death toll would be fifty-two.—**British Wireless Service.**

Man to Man.

Rugby, March 2.
Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Baldwin visited Cwm to-day and were given a full account of the disaster and of the rescue operations.

They visited several of the bereaved families. To the father of two young men who lost their lives, one in attempting to save the other, Mr. Baldwin said: "I have come to see you as man to man. I have come not as Prime Minister, but as a man who wishes to express his sympathy for you."—**British Wireless Service.**

Premier Booed.

London, March 2.
The miners at Cwm angrily demonstrated against Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Baldwin, who travelled from Cardiff on a sympathetic visit to the scene of the colliery disaster. They booed the premier shouting "Why don't you go down the mine yourself?"—**Reuter.**

Earlier Messages.

London, March 2.
Their Majesties have telegraphed condolences to the sufferers in the colliery disasters, wherein there are at least sixty-five dead.

Despite the official announcement that there is only the faintest hope of rescuing more of the entombed men small knots of wives carrying babes, clinging desperately to the hope that the men might somehow return, waited in the cold in vain at the Cwm Pithead all night long. There were harrowing scenes.

Twelve canaries lowered at varying intervals were brought up dead before the air cleared and permission was given to continue the rescue.

The Hand of Death.

Although the disaster is attributed to an explosion, few of the miners heard a sound. They were unaware of their danger until they felt a clutching stricture of the throat and began to gasp for breath.

Hardly a street in Cwm does not mourn the loss of a relative. One woman lost her husband and two sons, another her husband and son-in-law, another two sons. One victim leaves seven children, including a baby two months old for whose life the mother paid with her own.

The rescuers described the heart-rending expedition below. In one case they found a man lying dead, his two arms still under the shoulders of a friend whom he was dragging to the shaft, where death claimed both.—**Reuter.**

TO-DAY'S NIP.

FOUR DEGREES DROP IN TEMPERATURE.

There was a nip in the air this morning and it is not surprising to note that the Observatory recorded a drop in the temperature of four degrees (from 55 to 51).

If it is any consolation for those who are feeling the effects of the cold, Macao registers five degrees below Hong Kong, and Vladivostok forty-five below!

The forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow is:—N. winds, moderate, overcast, some drizzle or mist. Moderate to heavy rain may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China sea.

A LIVE FORCE.

The League and World Peace.

DISARMAMENT CONFERENCES.

Rugby, March 2.
In addition to the 44th session of the League of Nations Council, which opens in Geneva on Monday next, under the presidency of Dr. Stresemann, German Foreign Minister, there will be nine different League meetings during the present month.

Of these the most important refer to the question of disarmament. When the Preparatory Commission for the Disarmament Conference meets again on March 25, it will have before it the whole of the work done by its various technical sub-commissions since June last, and may thus be able definitely to draw up a programme for, and fix the date of, the International Disarmament Conference.

Related, though minor, the question of international supervision of the private manufacture of armaments will also be dealt with, since the special commission, on which the United States will be represented, will meet on March 14 to draw up the draft of the international convention for the conference which is to be summoned by the League in the autumn.

Economic Pressure.

The League's Finance Committee is to study the possibility of establishing a common scheme of financial assistance to a State which has been attacked and to consider the legal position which would result from enforcing in peace time measures of economic pressure indicated in Article XVI of the Covenant, particularly by a maritime blockade.

The Committee of the Council will examine the report of the sub-committee which met in London last month, under the chairmanship of Viscount Cecil, to study the kind of preventive action which might usefully be taken by the Council when considering a dispute brought before it.—**British Wireless Service.**

UNRULY CALLERS.

SCENE AT LEGATION IN PARIS.

Paris, March 2.
The police had to be summoned to eject a party of thirty Chinese who called at the Chinese Legation at 7.30 in the morning. They demanded an interview with the Minister and refused to leave. When the Minister offered to receive two delegates when the office opened, the intruders refused to disperse. They were taken to the police station, the majority charged with assaulting the police.—**Reuter.**

Out of Work.
Later.
It transpires that the intruders were unemployed who demanded work or repatriation.

Another delegation later interviewed the Minister who promised to do his utmost to find work and to distribute the available funds.—**Reuter.**

NEW AIR LINE.

FLYING FROM PERTH TO MELBOURNE.

Rugby, March 2.
A flight of about 2,000 miles has been made in Australia by Major Edward de Havilland, brother of the well-known aircraft designer of the De Havilland Moth light aeroplane, with a thirty horsepower Cirrus engine.

He flew from Perth to Melbourne at an average speed of 70 miles an hour despite continuous head winds.

It is proposed shortly to establish an air service which will fly day and night between Adelaide and Perth, thus reducing the time between those two cities from five days to 24 hours.—**British Wireless Service.**

TODAY'S DOLLAR.
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at their Sales Room, Duddell Street,
3 Cases Wooden Shoe Stretchers
30 Cases Cantharides
6 Cases Newspaper
1 Case Glass Ware
1 Case Porcelain Figures
1 Case Yarn
1 Case Neck Ties, Links, Studs,
etc.
32 Rolls Insulating Paper
24 Rolls Deadening Felt
11 Drums Cello
9 Drums Piccolo
9 Bales Leather

AND

A Quantity of Provisions and
Sundries.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.
LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers,
Hong Kong, 3rd March, 1927.

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UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH CO., LTD.

The following unclaimed tele-
grams are lying at the office of The
Great Northern Telegraph Company
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Moris, from Amoy.
Tashihyoko, from Shimonoseki.
Clade Folkner, from Yokohama.
Iyomelia Bunham Tanke 71,
from Amoy.

Fussell, from Kobe.
Dorothy White, from Shanghai.

E. V. JESSEN,
Superintendent,
Hong Kong Station, Feb. 24, 1927.

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List of Unclaimed Telegrams
lying in E. E. Telegraph Office,
Hong Kong.

Abel, Miller House or Claremont,
from Fochow.
Breyer, from London.
Hardiviller, from Hongay.
Jayne Sison, from Iloilo.

E. A. LEGGATT,
Superintendent,
Hong Kong, 24th Feb., 1927.

NOTICES.

THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in Hong Kong).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF
The Hong Kong and Shanghai
Hotels, Ltd., will be held at the
Registered Office of the Company
(Exchange Building, Des Voeux
Road Central, Hong Kong), on
FRIDAY, the 4th day of March,
1927, at eleven o'clock in the fore-
noon, for the purpose of receiving
a Statement of Accounts and the
Report of the Board of Directors
for the year ended on the 31st
December, 1926, confirming the
appointment of Directors and re-
electing a Director and the Audi-
tors.

By Order of the Board,
C. G. COPLEY,
Secretary,
Hong Kong, 10th Feb., 1927.

THE SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE, 21, Praya East.

On FRIDAY NEXT, 4th March,
by kind permission of
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TUESDAY, March 1st. Stu-
dents joining classes held at
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the Education Department only.
(Fire Brigade Station building, 3rd
floor) those joining classes held at
the Central British School, Kow-
loon, may be enrolled at that
School.
Entry forms may be obtained at
the Education Department or at the
Central British School.
Hong Kong, 28th Feb., 1927.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the THIRTY-EIGHTH
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING
will be held at the Company's
Office, P. & O. Building, on
SATURDAY, 5th March, 1927, at
11 a.m. for the purpose of present-
ing the Report of the Directors
together with a Statement of
Accounts to 31st December, 1926,
and electing Directors and Audi-
tors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
21st February to 5th March, 1927,
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
LTD.,
Agents,
Hong Kong, 12th Feb., 1927.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE FINAL DIVIDEND de-
clared for the year ending
31st December, 1926, at the rate of
Three Pounds Sterling together
with a Bonus of Two Pounds
Sterling is payable on and after
the 21st February, 1927, at the
Offices of the Corporation where
Shareholders are requested to
apply for warrants.

By Order of the Court of
Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager,
Hong Kong, 26th Feb., 1927.

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

SIXTH TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON

SATURDAY, 5th March,
at 9.15 p.m.

THEATRE ROYAL.

MAIN EVENT:

15 Round Contest for Welterweight
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H.M.S. "Hermes"

v.

A. B. DIXON

H.M.S. "Frobisher."

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NOTICES.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING 1927

SATURDAY, 5th March.

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MEMBERS' Badges of Admission
are now ready and may be
obtained by those Members, who
have not already received them,
from Messrs. Linstead & Davis,
Alexandra Buildings.

Members are reminded that these
Badges will also admit them to all
the Extra Race Meetings of this
year.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of
introducing two non-members to
the Members' Enclosure.

A limited number of tickets are
available and may be obtained from
Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexan-
dra Buildings, on or before Satur-
day, February 26th, 1927, at a cost
of \$10 each per day or \$30 for
the Meeting.

The charge for admission for
Ladies to the Members' Enclosure
will be \$4 per day. Each member
can obtain upon application to
the Secretary, badges for the ad-
mission of two Ladies free of
charge. On no pretext will chil-
dren be permitted in either
enclosure during the first three
days racing.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

Tickets of Admission to the
Public Enclosure, price \$3 per
day for all persons including
Ladies, may be purchased from
Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd. or at
the Gate.
Soldiers and Sailors in uniform
admitted to the Public Enclosure at
\$1 per day.
Admission by ticket only.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be
issued on application to Messrs.
Linstead & Davis, Alexandra
Buildings.
Employers are requested to dis-
tribute them with discrimination,
and to endorse their names on the
passes.

Servants are not permitted in the
Members' Enclosure except for
passing through on their duties, but
must remain in their employers' stands.

Any persons found loitering
about with Servants' Passes in
their possession will forfeit the
same and will be removed from the
enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th Feb., 1927.

BATHS AND HEALTH.

MAN WHO LIVED IN A HOT SPRING.

"Many things said about the dan-
gers of very hot or very cold baths
are merely old wives' tales," said
Mr. Leonard Hill, director of the
Department of Applied Physiology
in the National Institute of Re-
search, lecturing at the Gresham
College, Basinghall Street, E.C.
"In Russia people, after partly
cooking themselves in a steam
chamber, will rush out of doors
and roll in the snow. This prac-
tice does not do them the slightest
harm; on the contrary, they derive
great benefit from it."

Hot or cold baths, continued Mr.
Hill, were very stimulating. A
bath of medium temperature had a
wonderfully quietening effect. The
tepid bath was now a regular form
of treatment for nervously irritable
inmates of mental hospitals. Some
patients were practically made to
live in the bath, and all distractions,
such as wireless, were care-
fully kept from them. The system
might sound drastic, but it was not
so terribly severe. An aged Japanese
gentleman, he said, voluntarily
took up his abode in a hot spring
for several months and found his
rheumatism was eased.

WORLD THEATRE.

"WILD HORSE MESA" TO-DAY TO SATURDAY.

Zane Grey, is without a peer
when it comes to devising
dynamic plots that vibrate with
action, thrills and appealing
romance, and in "Wild Horse
Mesa," he is at his best.

The story, which Lucien Hub-
bard adapted to the screen, de-
picts in gripping manner the
barbarous scheme of a gang of
horse thieves and outlaws to cap-
ture several thousand wild horses
by stampeding them into a barbed
wire trap. Under the shrewd
and intelligent direction of
George B. Seitz, this theme is
developed and embroidered with
an assortment of climaxes. The
final thrill, showing the terrific
charge of the wild steeds, is in
itself, a camera and directorial
triumph.

Jack Holt, who portrays the
leading role, covers himself with
glory, and gives a superb exhibi-
tion of horsemanship. Noah
Beery handles the "bad man"
part with his usual finesse; Eddie
Dove, charming and lovely,
furnishes the love interest; and
Douglas Fairbanks, jun., wins
new laurels with his character-
ization.

HOME POLITICS.

A NEW CONSERVATIVE GROUP.

INAUGURAL MEETING.

London, Feb. 10.

"We are a new group, a new limb
of the Conservative Party," said
Mr. Marshall Freeman addressing
in London the inaugural meeting
of the new constitutional Party of
which he is President.

He declared that another election
would soon be in sight. There was
too much pacifism in Conservative
leadership and too much anxiety to
meet the opposition half-way; too
much hankering after proselytes;
too much neglect of old friends;
too much pandering to opponents;
and too much of the mandarin at-
titude at headquarters.

"The whole method of choosing
candidates," he added, "must be al-
tered. Party finance must be
placed on a wider and more open
basis."

"Whitehall needs a financial Mus-
solini who will begin by reducing
the number of Cabinet ministers by
one-half."

MR. COOK'S VISIT.

MINISTER OF JUSTICE TO WATCH HIM.

London, Feb. 10.

Cape Town.—Speaking at Muizen-
burg, Mr. Tielman Roos, Minister of
Justice replying to a question whether
he approved of the proposed
visit of Mr. A. J. Cook to South
Africa, said that no application had
yet been made to the Government
for the admission of Mr. Cook.

He thought it unwise for a per-
son, especially from England, to be
refused permission to come to South
Africa when he applied for ad-
mission.

Mr. Roos added that he did not
think any revolutionary doctrine
would fall on fertile soil in South
Africa, but he agreed that it might
be necessary to keep an eye on Mr.
Cook when he reached South Africa.

AT THE STAR.

"THE SHOCK PUNCH" TO-DAY TO SATURDAY.

"The Shock Punch"—and its
not a story of prize fighting—is a
Paramount picture starring
Richard Dix, a screen version of
the John Monk Saunders story,
Frances Howard is featured op-
posite the star.

In "The Shock Punch," Dix is
a young society fellow, who would
rather trade punches with a real
"pug" any day than wrestle with
a tea cup. During a course of
training, he develops a devastat-
ing "shock punch," which lands
on the point of the chin with
lightning force.

Now Dorothy Clark (Miss
Howard), Dix's fiancée, takes to
fighting about as much as she
would to hoop skirts, so young
Savage has to promise to behave.
She tells him that she won't be
able to see him for some time,
because she is going to help her
father, a building contractor,
finish a job within schedule time.
The whole family fortune is
wrapped up in the project.

To be near Dorothy, Dix gets a
job with a rivet gang on the new
building and learns that the
foreman and engineer on the job
are playing crooked and doing
everything they can to hold up
construction.

There's real smash climax
when Dix rides up twenty-six
stories on a girder and comes to
a show-down with the plotters,
putting over the "shock punch"
to good effect.

AT THE QUEEN'S.

"BEVERLEY OF GRAUSTARK" TO-DAY TO SATURDAY.

Miss Davies has played roman-
tic heroines in historical dramas
of Court intrigues in medieval
times, has played roles laid in the
infancy of New York, but this
time she is playing the romantic
centre in a European Court in-
trigue—but of the modern day.

Royalty goes through its
devious political bargainings and
its Burbanked romances—just as
in the days of "When Knighthood
Was in Flower"—but it is all
strictly up-to-date—so much so
that a good deal of modern history
is, perhaps unconsciously,
echoed in the story, which is a
spectacular adaptation of George
Barr McCutcheon's famous novel.

Miss Davies plays the heroine,
an American girl, cousin to the
crown prince of a European
kingdom, who, to aid her royal
relative, engages in a daring mas-
querade, in which, in his uni-
form, she impersonates him.
To foil the plot of a pretender to
the throne, Miss Davies's male
quasquade is perfect. In her
uniform, the star is almost a
double for the Prince of Wales.

LEOPARD Vs. ELK.

AN EYE WITNESS RELATES A JUNGLE FIGHT.

"THE BEST I EVER SAW."

The very best fight, and most
evenly contested, between animals
of the forest, (one for his life and
the other for his dinner)—I ever saw
writes "J. W." in the "Ceylon
Times," took place on the borders
of Komari Tank, Eastern Province.

As I was waiting one evening for
tea to flight, my cooly and I had
built, with grass sods and mud, a
triangular "butt" to hide behind.
With some branches we were
well-hidden from view, when I
heard a sound of rushing and the
crash of snapping branches—Jungle
noise suggestive of elephants charg-
ing through forest.

I knew at once it was a stag
breaking cover, but did not know
the cause. I was not to be left long
in doubt, for out bolted a fine antler,
and, when well out, turned like
lightning, facing a fairly large male
leopard which had tried for a cap-
ture whilst in its lair.

"Spots" Tremendous Leap

The male elk always lies in the
most difficult place to approach,
and, when disturbed and making a
dash for liberty, outdoes all other
animals in smashing and crushing
its surroundings.
My attendant begged of me to
take advantage of my opportunity
and shoot, but with the greatest
difficulty I managed to keep him
quiet.

"Spots" tried for a knockout with
a tremendous leap, when the elk
side-stepped and nearly had "Puss"
on its horns, and then commenced
such a fight as would have graced
Albert Hall or any boxing ring in
the world.

Neither of them could take ad-
vantage of the other, and they were
a very well balanced pair.

From the manner in which the
elk hedged away from being near
us, I imagined that it had sensed
our presence.

The ring which they made was
about 12 yards away, and the ter-
ror of my life is that I had not a
camera to take snapshots of the
most glorious fight that was going
on.

The big cat was a mean cuss and
did things for which I self-appointed
referee, nearly shouted "Foul!"
I had put in two rotary bullets into
my bill and shot gun, and was
sorely tempted at times to put one
of them through the carcass of this
mean, and dirty fighter, but I had
no need, as events proved later on.

A Unique Sight.

What a picture it was! The leop-
ard always on the aggressive.
Elk's eyes are always large and
expressive enough, but now they
appeared as large as saucers, and the
deep channel impression that
runs from the eye appeared to be
full of tears, and an awful look of
fear.

The points of the horn were clean
white, and its huge neck and body
appeared twice its ordinary size as
all the hair was upon end.
The fight continued, but the elk
got further away from us and
nearer to the edge of the tank.
Seeing the elk edging into the
water the leopard paced itself for
a mighty spring, intending to land
on the back of its prey.

But he reckoned without his host;
for, at that moment, the elk stood
on its hind legs with its horns
bayonet-like, and met the charge,
the lower prong making its easy
way well into the chest, while the
top prong went right into the neck;
either separately would have been
fatal.

Both Went Over.

They both went over with the
impetus with which the leopard
came, but the elk was up in a trice,
and with its two forelegs going like
steam hammers.

It was then I learned why the
elk is never attacked when cross-
ing water, as the knife like hoofs
cut the leopard's skin into ribbons
and made the pelt worthless.
When we went up to the spot the
elk shook itself and quietly walked
away across the tank.

In the last charge a horn was
broken, but the conqueror went
away having given us a great exhi-
bition of defence and leaving the
aggressor deep in the mud, where
he thoroughly deserved to be.

LIONS MAUL AN ACROBAT.

An Indian acrobat was severely
injured by four caged lions recent-
ly while rehearsing in a travelling
circus at Beziars, in the Herault
department.

The man had just ridden a horse
round the ring, and when making
his exit came too close to the cage
containing the lions.
The animals mauled both the
horse and the acrobat through the
bars of the cage. A tamer entered
the cage and rescued the man, but
the horse was killed.

BOY'S TOY ENGINE EXPLODES.

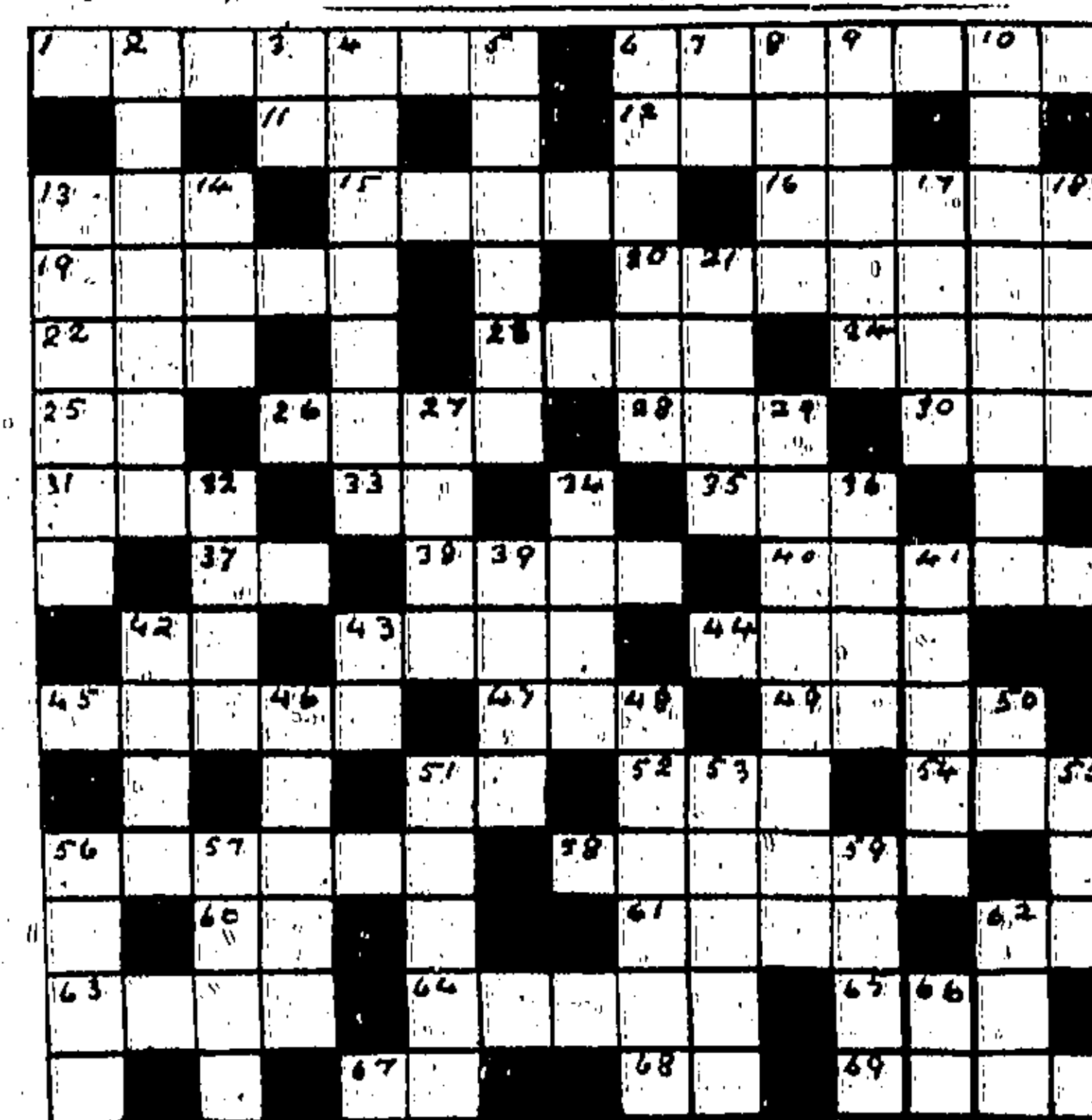
Mr. George Creyke, pottery manu-
facturer, Trentham, Stoke-on-Trent,
was giving a practical demonstra-
tion to his son of a toy model of a
steam boiler and engine, which he
had bought as a Christmas present,
when the boiler exploded, and a
piece of metal entered Mr. Creyke's
body. He was seriously injured.

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EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

MARITIME COMMISSION'S DECISION.

An important decision has been taken by the Parity Commission for maritime questions at the International Labour Office meeting at Geneva. This commission was instructed last year by the International Labour Conference to draft a report on the question whether the settlement of the question of the hours of labour, that is to say, the eight-hour day on board merchant ships, would not be discussed at the next meeting of the International Labour Conference. After discussing the matter for two days, the commission decided by 7 votes to 6 that the question should be placed on the agenda of the next labour conference, which will be held in 1928.

This decision is of importance not only in itself, but also because of the manner in which it was brought about. It was due to the fact that the French shipowner, M. de Roussiers, voted with the representatives of the seamen and the deck officers, and therefore against the other shipowners' representatives. Previously, says a Geneva report, the French shipowner, as well as the English, German, Norwegian, and Japanese delegates had protested strongly against the introduction of the eight-hour day aboard mercantile vessels.

The seamen's delegates put forward the view that it was not a question of the sudden or immediate introduction of the eight-hour day, but merely a gradual placing of the conditions in the mercantile marine on a par with the labour conditions in industry and agriculture. As the eight-hour day has already been adopted aboard French merchant ships, and has already given satisfactory results, the representative of the French shipowners was finally induced to vote with those of the seamen.

According to a Cardiff correspondent, South Wales is making a gallant effort to re-establish its export trade. One of the largest colliery undertakings has arranged to supply an important group of foreign ship owners and bunkering firms with a million tons of Second Admiralty large steam coal at 20s. 9d. per ton, delivery to extend over one year.

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BATTLE WITH SEA.

DASHED ON TO A ROCKY COAST.

SAILORS' TERRIBLE ORDEAL.

After their boat, in which they were trying to reach their ship, had been swamped, five seamen of the sailing vessel "Novador" were swept ashore at Clevedon, twelve miles from Bristol. All were terribly exhausted, and one of them, Raymond Trench (23), a native of Johannesburg, died soon afterwards. The survivors are: David Lowrie, second officer, of Montreal; John McCloud, boatswain, of Stornaway; Charles Welsh, A.B., of Hanley, Staffs; and John Keogh, A.B., of South Quay, Ireland.

At the inquest on Trench, held at Bristol, David Lowrie, the second mate, said: "I launched a rowing boat to proceed to Porthead for provisions. He was the steersman, while the four other seamen rowed. They reached Porthead, and having obtained provisions started back at one o'clock. The boat was water-tight and not overloaded. The sea was choppy, while the weather was overcast and hazy. Soon water swept into the boat, and bailing it out, they succeeded in getting aboard the ship."

BIG WHISKY HAUL.

San Francisco, Mar. 2. The "Federalship," the largest vessel engaged in rum-running off the Pacific seaboard, and recently transferred from the British to the Panamanian register, has been seized 300 miles to the southwest with 12,500 cases of whisky aboard—Rout's American Service.

getting aboard of the ship. The wind and tide, however, prevented them from reaching the side, and they floated past. The sea became very nasty, and realising that it was almost impossible to reach the shore, he headed for the shore. Darkness fell and the boat became full of water. The rowers got too numbed to pull, and all the rowlocks were lost except one. They were then helpless. All hands were set to bailing the boat, while with the remaining oar tried to steer round to the wind. Close to the shore he missed the boat-swain and another man, and concluded they must have jumped overboard. The boat was then approaching the rocks very fast.

As he and the other two could swim he thought it best they should also jump overboard, but Trench refused, and had to be pulled over the bow. Plunging into the water, and half washed, half swimming, they reached the shore, dragging Trench with them. They were too exhausted to stand, but eventually pulled Trench clear of the water. Witness then clambered up the cliffs, ultimately making his way to the police station. He stopped at several places beforehand, but no one would have anything to do with him, apparently thinking he was a tramp. He gave the police particulars where to find Trench, who was too exhausted to accompany them.

Police-constable Wilfred Fuller related how Lowrie, in a very exhausted condition, came to the police station at Clevedon about 7.30 p.m., and told him he had been washed ashore together with other seamen. With another officer he proceeded to the foreshore, passing on the way three other seamen also much exhausted. After a search among the rocks he discovered Trench, unconscious and practically lifeless. Artificial respiration was applied, and Trench's pulse improved. After half an hour help came, and he was removed to the Cottage Hospital, but succumbed before arrival.

Medical evidence was given that death was due to exposure, and a verdict of accidental death was returned. The coroner and jury commended the two police officers for their attention to Trench.

DANISH SHIPPING.

PROSPECT OF NEW LABOUR AGREEMENT.

A beginning with the laying-up of ships was commenced in Denmark a short time ago, and at the present time about ten vessels are laid up of a size of from 1,200 to 1,800 tons. Although it is difficult for the Danish ship-owners to maintain their position in competition with the ships of other countries owing to the working expenses of the ships being higher than what is the case in various other countries, both the organizations of the seamen and the firemen gave notice in the first week in January to terminate the existing agreement on April 1. It seems, however, in the meantime that these organizations have agreed to stay in the ship-owners' hands for a further period of six months, and it is feared have been sent out for the purpose of ascertaining whether the ship-owners will enter into negotiations for the conclusion of a new agreement.

Most of the ships engaged in the overseas trade are now laid up, and a very large percentage of the seamen, mostly Germans, high seas and engine-room hands, are laid up. It is estimated that at least 50 per cent of the crews are unemployed for a long time, and the weekly wage paid by the Government.

CHINA COAST.

GAZETTE OF THE LATEST CHANGES.

Captain T. W. Pickard, of the "Wenchow," is on reserve.
Captain J. Legge, from Home leave, has gone master, "Wenchow."

Mr. A. Cook, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, "Feng-tien."

Captain E. M. Gellie, from reserve, has gone master, "Ningpo."

Mr. D. Janssen, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Wangpu."

Mr. W. H. Scurr, sup'y third engineer, "Kiangsu," has gone third engineer, "Liran."

Mr. W. R. Woodman, from reserve, has gone acting second engineer, "Sinkiang."

Mr. A. D. Armotr, second engineer, "Sinkiang," has gone sup'y second engineer, "Kiangsu."

Mr. C. N. Flood, sup'y chief engineer, "Kwaiyang," has gone sup'y chief engineer, "Luchow."

Mr. W. Niblock, sup'y chief engineer, "Kaiyang," has gone sup'y chief engineer, "Sunning."

Mr. E. Gostling, chief officer, "Kutwo," is on Home leave.

Mr. J. H. Davey, sup'y chief officer, "Siangwo," has gone chief officer, "Kutwo."

Mr. A. E. Smith has been appointed second officer, "Siangwo."

Mr. J. McTavish, second engineer, "Yusang," is on Home leave.

Mr. A. T. Perry, from Home leave, has gone chief engineer, "Kutwo."

Mr. D. Smith, chief engineer, "Kutwo," is on reserve.

Mr. J. Fry, second engineer, "Kutwo," is on reserve.

Mr. W. I. Hamilton, from Home leave, has gone second engineer, "Yusang."

Mr. J. A. Thom, acting second engineer, "Kutwo," has gone acting second engineer, "Leesang."

Mr. A. M. Maloney, second engineer, "Leesang," is on reserve.

Mr. A. Robertson has been appointed sup'y second officer, "Hopsang."

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The m.v. "Delft" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.) left Antwerp on Jan. 25, and is due here to-day.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benavon" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here to-morrow.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" leaves Manila to-day, at 4 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong on March 5, at 8.30 a.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benmaedhu" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits, is due to arrive here on March 6.

The B. I. s.s. "Takada" left Singapore for this port on Feb. 23, p.m., and is due here on March 6, at about 7 a.m.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Yokohama on Feb. 25, and is due at Vancouver on March 6, about 2 p.m.

The C.P.S., R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on Feb. 26, and is due here on March 18.

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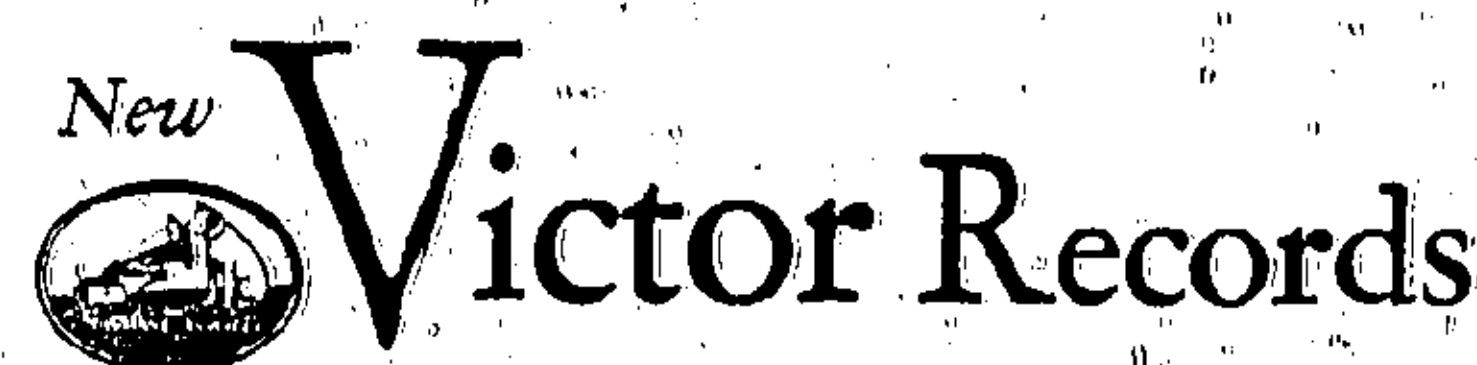
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BIRTHS.

EASTWOOD.—On February 25,
1927, at Shanghai, to Mr. and
Mrs. J. P. B. Eastwood, twin
sons.

OZORIO.—On February 22, 1927,
at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs.
A. Ozorio, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

COBBE—ROBERTSON.—On February
25, 1927, at Shanghai, second
son of the late A. H. and Mrs.
Cobb, of Dulwich to Charlotte
Winifred Elaine, fourth daughter
of the late Robert Robertson,
M.V.O., of Peterhead,
Aberdeenshire.

FERNANDEZ—MORGAN.—On
February 24, 1927, at Shang-
hai, Roy I. Fernandez, of
Sydney, Australia, to Sybil
Mary, eldest daughter of R.
Morgan, Shanghai.

HALL—MERECI.—On February
26, 1927, at Shanghai, Alan
Cameron Hall, of the Asiatic
Petroleum Company, to
Gabrielle Georgette Merecki.

DEATHS.

ANDREW.—On February 20, 1927,
at Chee, Jessie, wife of
George Andrew, of the China
Inland Mission, aged 88 years.

JOSEPH.—On February 27, 1927,
at Shanghai, Edward M.
Joseph.

McPHEE.—On February 21, 1927,
at Shanghai, "John" Fletcher
McPhee, wife of John McPhee,
37 years.

RIDGWAY.—On February 25, 1927,
at Hazel Grove, England,
Charles Henry Ridgway, aged
73 years.

UHLICH.—On February 23, 1927,
at Shanghai, Mabel, daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. Uhlisch, of the
Chinese Maritime Customs,
aged 8 years.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

For the many letters, gifts and
kindnesses generally shown to my
dear wife, Cliffe and myself
during the last six months and
especially lately, will all my friends
please accept this medium of my
extremely humble and grateful
thanks. I still feel too stunned to
be able to write or reply individually
to the many letters and mes-

promise based on common sense
and joint respect will not be lost
amidst the mass of calumny pour-
ed out by self-seeking outsiders
who have as little regard for the
welfare of the Chinese as they
have goodwill towards the Brit-
ish. Hankow and Ichang are
milestones in the road to friend-
ship and prosperity—the Chinese
have but to walk with us in the
same spirit of conciliation, with
the same practical good sense, and
the goal will be reached together
sooner than they could believe!

Pirates' Fate.

In suffering the extreme pen-
alty of the law on the scaffold the
"Sunning" pirates who were
executed yesterday and to-day
will elicit not an ounce of sym-
pathy. They were all given one
of the fairest trials possible under
any code of justice, and there was
not the slightest doubt in the
minds of the Judge or Jury that
they were guilty. Had they car-
ried their grim purpose to an end
after the "Sunning" officers re-
gained command, the vessel, its
passengers and everything on
board would have been burned,
and those passengers who escaped
death from the flames would have
assuredly found a watery grave.
In comparison with such a fate
the end of the convicted pirates
on the scaffold need not call for
any sentimental feelings. On the
other hand, it is hoped that the
executions in Victoria Jail will
have the deterrent effect desired
—that pirates will be taught that
they cannot ply their nefarious
"calling" against British steam-
ers with impunity. A few execu-
tions, of course, cannot be taken
as making an end of piracy; so
long as Bias Bay is permitted by
the Kwangtung authorities to re-
main the undisturbed haunt of
the pirate bands, so long will such
outrages against shipping con-
tinue. Besides, it is too much to
expect that in the present up-
heaval in China there will be no
fresh accessions to those who lead
the "free and independent" life of
a pirate.

ARMISTICE DAY.

THANKS FOR HONG KONG'S
EFFORT.

REPLY FROM LONDON.

Mr. R. E. Cable, the Hon.
Secretary, British Legion Branch,
Hong Kong, has received the
following letter from Captain
W. E. Wilcox, Organising Secre-
tary, Appeal Department for the
British Legion, No. 26, Eccleston
Square, London:

I have received to-day from
the Hong Kong & Shanghai
Bank, Gracechurch Street, the
sum of £1,517/14/0: which I
presume is the contribution from
Hong Kong and China in re-
sponse to Lord Haig's Appeal
on Remembrance Day, Novem-
ber 11.

Although I have no doubt a
letter is on its way from you
giving particulars of this very
splendid contribution, I feel that
I should at once send our official
receipt and say how deeply Lord
Haig appreciates the very valu-
able help given to the Fund in
connection with the appeal, more
especially in view of the troublous
times through which you are
passing in China—as affording
the most tangible proof that in
spite of many difficulties the
public remembers so loyally the
sacrifices made by those on whose
behalf he appeals.

I look forward to hearing
from you, but in the meantime
would express our sincere gra-
titude to all concerned in this
splendid contribution.

THIRD PLACE.

"THE COMMONWEALTH OF
INDIA."

London, Feb. 11.

The House of Commons to-day
formally passed the first reading of
Mr. Rennie Smith's Commonwealth
of India Bill to constitute a Com-
monwealth of India within the
Empire.

The Bill only secured third place
in the bills to be discussed on
March 4, and is not likely to be
reached.

ROBINSON ROAD BURGLARY.

A burglar entered the servants
quarters on the top floor of No. 10
Robinson Road, last night and
stole jewelry and clothing worth
\$165; the property of the amah.

OUR \$50 PRIZE.

Result of the Sixth
Puzzle.

TWENTY FOR FIRST PLACE.

The "China Mail" has pleasure in
announcing the result of its sixth
Cross-Word Puzzle Competition
(which has been won by twenty com-
petitors with fully correct solutions.
Those twenty competitors are:—
Miss Florence Chan,
39, Bowrington New Street.

Miss Gladys Kong,
c/o Bank of Canton.

Mrs. F. Syme-Thomson,
c/o Dodwell & Co.

Miss M. T. Alves,
1A, Chater Road.

Miss Rita C. P. Xavier,
1, Humphreys Avenue.

Mr. R. E. Lindell,
151, The Peak.

Mr. Eddie Hyndman,
c/o Kowloon Dock.

Mr. W. Hong Sling,
Lugard Hall,
The University.

Mr. J. M. Xavier,
9, Chi Wo Street.

Mr. N. S. Lim,
Elliot Hall,
University.

Mr. C. N. Dragon,
12, Pringle Terrace, 1st Floor.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton,
151, The Peak.

Mr. H. W. Randall,
c/o Lane Crawford Ltd.

Mr. Jose da Roza,
138, China Road.

Mr. C. F. X. da Roza,
138, China Road.

Mr. L. Song,
1, Prospect Place.

Mr. H. Jephson,
c/o A. J. David,
Prince's Building.

Mr. K. S. Leung,
Eliza Kadoorie School.

Mr. Victor Gitting,
14, Ashley Road.

Mr. N. A. E. Mackay,
Jordan House.

The \$50 prize will be divided
among the twenty winners, and in
accordance with the rules, cheques
will be sent to them four days
hence, under registered cover, to-
gether with the congratulations of
the "China Mail."

The correct solutions are as
follows:—

Across.
1. PIKE; 4. PELT; 7. CADE; 10.
NEAR; 11. AHEAD; 12. NEAL; 14.
INTO; 16. BOER; 18. SCRY; 19.
DOER; 20. SPUE; 21. H. L.; 22.
YEARS; 24. T. G.; 25. NO; 26.
T. E.; 27. H. A.; 28. AM; 30. E. A.;
32. SALT; 34. LOVES; 37.
TOPPLES; 40. R. E.; 41. HST; 43.
PHE; 44. DYE; 46. PUT; 47.
TERM; 49. SO; 50. ETNA; 51. SIR;
52. ACT; 54. ADO; 55. P. R.; 57.
COOK; 59. AERY; 61. SOLE; 63.
UNIFORMS; 65. SIREN; 66.
DANE; 67. PROSE.

Down.
1. PONS; 2. KNARL; 3. EOLY;
4. PRIDE; 5. LATERAL; 6.
THORN; 7. CABS; 8. ADOPT; 9.
EYRE; 13. ECHO; 15. NOAH; 17.
EUGE; 22. YELL; 23. SAVE; 25.
NUT; 26. TAPER; 29. ME; 31.
APT; 32. SPHEROID; 33. TOD; 35.
OR; 36. SHUN; 38. OPTION; 39.
SYSTEM; 42. STAPLE; 45. E. O;
46. PTOSIS; 48. MA; 50. ED; 51.
SCUD; 53. CARE; 54. AY; 56.
REND; 58. K. F. A.; 60. R. S. P.; 62.
ORE; 64. ON; 65. SO.

CITY FIRE.

QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL
OUTBREAK.

FIREMEN'S STIFF FIGHT.

A disastrous fire occurred at 6.15
this morning at No. 321, Queen's
Road Central, occupied by the
Sze Chan Grocery shop. The fire
started on the fourth floor and
spread quickly downwards. The
entire building was well alight
before the firemen got control.
The flames were extinguished
after a stiff fight. Damage was
done to the extent of \$50,000.
The various tenants were covered
by insurance to the amount of
\$38,000.

DUMPING A DEAD BABY.

A Chinese was charged before
Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning
with dumping the body of a baby
which had died of small pox. A
policeman found the accused with
the body in a blind lane at the
back of the "Daily Press Office"
in Wanchai.
A remand was given bail being
allowed in the sum of \$100.

MYSTERY DISPELLED

REPORTED CANTON DESIGNS
ON YUNNAN.

INVASION REPORTS DISCREDITED

Rumours having reached Hong
Kong about developments in Yun-
nan province (in the far south-
west of China, adjoining Indo-
China and Tibet) the following
will serve to clear the mystery.
Wild reports have been cur-
rent, varying from the deposition
of the Tsuchun (General Tang Chi-
yao, who is a "neutral" in the
present China crisis) to a rebellion in
favour of Canton.

The General Fan Shek-sang re-
ferred to below is a Yunnan
mercenary adventurer, now pay-
ing homage to Canton.

INVASION MYTH.

Truth About the Pro-Canton
Troops.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Yunnanfu, Feb. 18.

On Feb. 10, a telegram was re-
ceived here that General Fan
Shek-sang had arrived at Wang-
ta, just below Mengtze, with
3,000 men, but this is discredited
owing to the fact that it seems
impossible for him to arrive at the
railway (which enters Yunnan
from French territory) with 3,000
men unknown to anybody, espe-
cially as there are persons here
who came up the line on that date,
who had heard nothing of such an
event.

Also, the country to be traversed
before reaching Wangta is very
difficult country and it would be
almost impossible for General
Fan to move such a number of
men without it being known.

Later.
The rumour about Fan Shek-
sang being on the railway seems
to have been only a "rumour" and
nothing has been heard of it
since.

NEW REPUBLIC?

Yunnan's Latest Political
Ambitions.

Further developments have oc-
curred here. All the proscribed
persons, have resigned from
office and the situation has very
materially improved but is far
from settled as financial help is
required.

The latest development is that
there is an idea of forming a
"Yunnan Republic," of which the
present Governor (General Tang
Chi-yao) is to be the President,
with a Cabinet and an independ-
ent government.

How this will work out re-
mains to be seen but it may keep
us from outside interference,
unless there is a general move-
ments uniting all factions, which
might mean a concentrated attack
on this province. Even that would
not be easy, owing to the situation
of the province in relation to
others.

New Foreign Minister.
[Note: It is the considered
opinion of military experts that,
under present conditions, the
Yunnan regime can hardly fall to
external invasion but internal
trouble is entirely different.—
Editor, "China Mail."]

The new Minister of Foreign
Affairs, who has recently been
nominated, is a man named
Chang, at present in Haiphong.
He is an engineer educated in
Belgium and is very popular.

Of other officers, there is no-
thing certain and it is presumed
the Government will go slowly,
appointing men in order of im-
portance.

When the financial question is
settled, the rest will be compara-
tively easy and things will set-
tle down, but the Putsch Bank has
been closed for several days now
and will neither buy nor sell.

PREMATURE.

REPORT OF MR. NIHILL'S
NEW POST.

It is understood that the re-
port of the appointment of Mr.
J. H. B. Nihill to a post in
Mesopotamia and the taking
over of the position in Hong
Kong of the acting Finance Judge-
ship by Mr. Philip Jacks, of the
Land Office, is premature.

ALLEGED ARMED ROBBERY.

Four Chinese have been arrest-
ed in connection with the recent
armed robbery at No. 6 West
Street, Quarry Bay, and part of
the stolen property worth \$17 re-
covered.

The men were produced this
morning in Mr. Lindell's Court
and remanded until next week.

Three cases of small pox,
Chinese, and two of enteric fever,
one British and the other Chinese,
were notified yesterday.

MORE TROOPS.

Quarters at Fanling and Kowloon.

THE "KARMALA" ARRIVES.

Troops from the s.s. "Karmala," which arrived in Hong Kong this morning and went alongside Holy's wharf, will be disembarked during the day. One Battalion being quartered in Kowloon and the remainder proceeding to Fanling to go under canvas.

The s.s. "Sarpedon" carrying supplies, also arrived this morning and berthed at Holy's.

The troops arriving on the "Karmala" comprise the 1st Battalion the Middlesex Regiment, the 1st Battalion the Border Regiment and the Headquarters staff of the 13th Infantry Brigade.

The British naval hospital ship, "Maiane," is due here this afternoon, also the s.s. "Assaye" with the 1st Battalion the Green Howards.

Whether or not the Green Howards will be disembarked here is not yet known, state the military authorities.

A strong detachment from the 2nd Battalion the Coldstreams went for a route march through the Eastern part of the city this morning, unarmed, and headed by their Drum and Fife Band.

BIRDS OF PREY.

RACECOURSE SNATCHERS JAILED.

ROBBING AN INFANT.

Two snatchers were severely dealt with by Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning.

They were caught by district watchmen on the race course yesterday afternoon after they had snatched a gold-mounted rattle bangle from a Chinese baby being carried on its mother's back.

First accused denied having anything to do with the matter. He was unfortunately, he said, to be standing next to the woman at the time and was arrested. Second accused admitted taking the bangle from the baby's wrist. Both prisoners claimed to be strangers to each other.

One of the watchmen said he shadowed the accused for a quarter of an hour because they were acting suspiciously, jostling people about, peeping into pockets and looking at women's hair.

After a while they stopped near the complainant (the baby's mother).

They stood on her left, first accused a little behind the woman and second accused immediately behind him. Witness saw first accused move a hand towards the baby's wrist and then turn round and faced second accused who made a movement with his hand as if receiving something. Immediately afterwards second accused turned and walked away. Witness seized him, and his foci arrested the first accused. The bangle was found in second accused's coat pocket.

His Worship convicted both men.

First accused was given six months' hard labour and ordered to receive 20 strokes. Second accused was to receive 20 strokes also to be followed by 48 hours' detention.

"FIRING A 'PHONE."

SEQUEL IN THE POLICE COURT.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning on three counts as follows:

(1) That he did on March 1 at No. 62B, Bonham Road, unlawfully by means of a false pretence represent himself to be an employee of the Telephone Co., and attempt to obtain \$1 from Mr. Foo Sik.

(2) Unlawfully and maliciously causing injury to Mr. Foo Sik's telephone by removing parts thereof.

(3) Having in his possession certain parts of a telephone supposed to have been unlawfully obtained.

Accused denied the charges. He said he went to the house to use the telephone to speak to a friend. He found the telephone defective and pointed this out to Mr. Foo Sik who asked him to repair it. After he did so Mr. Foo Sik asked him how much money he wanted. He (accused) said it was against the regulations for him to charge anything whereupon Mr. Foo Sik gave him \$1 for his trouble. With regard to telephone parts accused said he was formerly an employee of the Telephone Co. and had forgotten to return them when he left the service.

After the hearing of further evidence, the case was adjourned. No bail was allowed.

SHAI WEDDINGS.

MR. J. H. TAGGART AND MRS. M. TURNER.

CHARMING CHURCH SETTING.

Shanghai, Feb. 24.

At 3.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon a pretty wedding was solemnised in St. Joseph's Church when Mrs. Mary Turner daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Bowen of San Francisco, California, was married to Mr. James Harper Taggart, son of Mr. John Taggart of London, and well known throughout the Far East as chairman of the Board of Directors of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.

The religious ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father McDonald, the legal ceremony having been performed by Mr. E. G. Jameson, C.B.E. yesterday morning at H. B. M. Consulate-General.

The church was handsomely decorated in white, pink and lavender flowers, and a three piece orchestra provided special music during the ceremony. Mr. Scott sang Gounod's "Ave Maria" as the bride and groom approached the altar.

The bride was given away by Mr. P. W. Massey. Mrs. R. W. Skinner acted as matron of honour, and Patricia Turner, the bride's small daughter was the flower girl, while Miss Isabel Lawson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Lawson was the ring bearer.

Mr. W. G. Smith was best man, and Messrs. H. O. Waser, and S. Ross, Managers of the Astor House and the Palace Hotels, respectively, were ushers for the ceremony.

The bride wore a charming frock of flesh coloured chiffon pleated with fine pleats and covered by a ribbon cape exquisitely embroidered. A large lace hat in the same colour completed her ensemble.

The matron of honour's dress was a handsome creation of soft lavender headed georgette with long graceful sleeves.

Following the wedding, a reception was given to the bride and groom in the Winter Garden of the Majestic Hotel by Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Benjamin, assisted by Mrs. P. W. Massey. Gifts of floral wreaths and shields, as well as the pretty spring like decorations of the Winter Garden made a charming scene.

The bride and groom were received while soft music was played. Mr. Benjamin proposed the health of the bride, and shortly after this felicitation, jazz music was struck up and the dancing inaugurated for the remainder of the tea hour.

Mrs. Benjamin who, welcomed the guests wore a charming georgette gown of soft champagne colour with hat and shoes to match.

Mr. and Mrs. Taggart, who will make their home near the Repulse Bay Hotel in Hong Kong, will leave Shanghai on board the s.s. "President Wilson" this morning. For her going away dress the bride will wear a handsome Chanel ensemble model of red velvet trimmed in fur with matching hat.

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HANKOW UNDER RED "PROTECTION."

EXPERIENCE OF AN AMERICAN

Shanghai, Feb. 23.

An insight into the sort of protection that the "Nationalist" Government at Hankow is offering to foreigners is obtained from the experiences of a gentleman who has just come here from that town, says the "North China Daily News."

Mr. Stanley, the man in question, an American, he it is observed, not British, has been running a motor repair shop and engineering works, employing about 26 Chinese workmen. Some weeks ago, realizing that Hankow was under "Nationalist" control was done for, he decided that it was better to get out with a little now than wait till it was a case of getting out with nothing.

He, therefore, sold his business, gave his workmen six weeks' notice and a month's bonus and announced an auction of his remaining things.

The Union's Demands. Then intervened the union and demanded that he must give his workmen six months' pay besides a month's wages cum bonus as he would not be stopping on in Hankow till next China New Year. Alternatively his place would be picked and an auction allowed.

A deputation called on Mr. Stanley to press these terms, whom he invited, early, to talk sense. He then laid the matter before the American Consul, who immediately rang up the "Nationalist" headquarters. From here the answer came that they must "investigate." Knowing exactly what this meant, the Consul replied that there was no need to investigate; the facts were as he had given them. Mr. Stanley's auction was at that moment going on, and if the Chinese authorities would not protect it, he would do so himself.

This threat brought an immediate promise of some police. But in the meantime Mr. Stanley's men, who had gradually reduced their claim to three months' wages, put on the pickets in earnest. No one who bought anything at the auction could get it away.

Again the Consul's aid was sought and this time some soldiers were sent. The soldiers do not love the pickets, complaining that they themselves do all the fighting and the labour unions then come in and clean up all the money; so the pickets were driven off and the auction ended in peace.

Thereupon Mr. Stanley's men, seeing that their bluster was futile, expressed their readiness to be content with the bonus given them and dropped all other demands.

Filthy tale of Concession. Mr. Stanley says that the British Concession, since the "Nationalists" took it over has become a travesty of its former self. The streets are utterly filthy, Chinese coolies behave themselves exactly as they please (it is unnecessary to particularise) and there is no street cleaning. And in spite of that so loudly promised "protection," it is not safe for British subjects to leave the vicinity of the river and they may only live on the Bund or in the A.P.C. building.

Ceremony Performed by Bride's Sister. Shanghai, Feb. 23.

A wedding of much interest to use many friends of the pair took place Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the United States Court when Miss Florence Purdy, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Milton D. Purdy was married by her father to Mr. Wilton Randolph Johnson of the Tobacco Products Corporation.

The civil ceremony was attended by a small gathering only, consisting of the bride's parents, Mr. C. E. Gauss, the American Consul-General and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson will make their home at No. 3, Route Ghisi, Hall—Merecki.

The wedding was celebrated on Saturday afternoon in Holy Trinity Cathedral of Miss Gabrielle George-Merecki to Mr. Alan Cameron Hall, with the very Rev. Dean Symons officiating at the ceremony.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. A. E. Stewart, wore a handsome gown of Watteau design, having a panniered over-dress of mouseline velvet under which silver lace showed. Her veil of hand embroidered Brussels net was fastened with a bandeau of pearls and diamonds and she wore shoes of silver brocade trimmed with large diamond buckles. The bridal bouquet was of white carnations and freesias.

Sweet—Knight. At 2.15 on Saturday afternoon, Holy Trinity Cathedral was the scene of another wedding when Miss Edna Elizabeth Knight, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Knight of Chilliwick, British Columbia, was married to Mr. Charles William Skeet, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Skeet, of Barnes, Surrey. The Very Rev. Dean Symons performed the ceremony.

The bride who only arrived in Shanghai last week was given away by Mr. A. J. S. Parkhill. She wore a frock of silver lace trimmed with touches of flat French flowers in hyacinth blue and silver, and a large picture hat trimmed with blue and silver completed the costume. She carried a sheaf of cream roses.

After the wedding a reception was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. S. Parkhill, 152 Route Vallon, where a gathering of friends drank the health of the bride.

H.K.S.P.C.A.

INSPECTOR'S WORK IN FEBRUARY.

WHAT FIGURES TELL.

The work of the Inspectors of the Hong Kong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals during the month of February, 1927, is summarised.

Transport. Poultry, cranes, 1,774. Poultry on trucks and lorries, loads, 119. Poultry in junks and ferries, 167. Poultry by rail cranes, 39. Pigs on trucks and in baskets, 1,345. Pigs in junks and ferries, 656. Pigs by rail, 82. Cattle in junks, 208. Cattle ashore, 50. Sheep and goats in junks, 30. Dog by rail, 1. Dogs in market, Taiipo, 24. Cats in market, Taiipo, 4.

Imports. Poultry, cranes, 2,934. Pigs, 5,765. Sheep and goats, 1,232. Cages of birds, 53. Foxes, 2. Cats, 3. Owls, 4.

Exports. Poultry, cranes, 97. Cattle, 319. Sheep and goats, 195. Dogs, 8. Monkeys, 20. Cages of birds, 17. Poultry, 7.

Markets. Birdshops, 70. Railway stations, 28. Dogs' home, 41. Dealers shops, 15. Pig pens, Yaumati, 3. Landing places, 58. Poultry depots, 84. Cattle depot, 20.

Miscellaneous. Ignorant cruelty cases corrected, 38. Markets watched, times, 43. Ferries watched, times, 45. Cases investigated on report received, 1. Dogs received in home during month, 18. Dogs claimed in home during month, 1. Dogs sold in home during month, 3. Dogs died in home during month, 1. Dogs destroyed in home during month, 8.

THE "RED TRIANGLE"

INTERESTING ARTICLES BY MEMBERS.

THE FEBRUARY NUMBER.

The second number of the "Red Triangle" (European Y.C.M.A.) is a most interesting magazine. It is a tribute to the resourcefulness of the members and the pertinacity of the Editor that so great a variety of articles on matters of general and local interest should have been forthcoming after the successful "election" campaign which must have been a great strain on all participants.

One of the best articles is that on Chinese architecture by Mr. A. J. May, illustrated with his own designs. Mrs. W. T. Southern contributes an interesting article on "The Youth of Ceylon"; Mr. J. H. Hunt gives us an angle on "Art" which is too often overlooked; the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald is brief but no less to the point in Present Day Problems; The Literary and Debating section is done full justice to by the Convener, Mr. T. V. Harmon; "Egbert" and "Sable" have achieved that most difficult problem of wrapping a "moral" with an entertaining sugar coating; behind the

nom de plume "Styx" who reviews the sporting activities, one traces the hand of that hard working organiser of the hockey section, Mr. A. Dand; how the other members may help the Secretary of the Sea-Going-Section in welcoming those who have lesser opportunities than themselves of finding the companionship the the "Y.M." stands for, is indicated by Mr. A. W. Ingram and "L.A.D." "H.A.P." "P.S." "M.A.G. Skinner" and "P." contribute other articles and reviews of activities.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

March 3—Queen's Theatre: "Beverly of Graustark."

March 3—World Theatre: "Wild Horse Mesa."

March 3—Star Theatre: "The Shock Funk."

March 3—Fancy dress ball of U.S.R.C. Club's ground, Kowloon.

March 3—Recital at Helena May Institute by Miss Nora Moon, 5.30 p.m.

March 4—Concert at Seamen's Institute 21, Praya East, 8.45 p.m.

March 4—Masked Ball at the City Hall.

March 5—Dance Gowning Cricket Club, Club-house, 9 p.m.

March 5—Kowloon British School Former Pupils' Association's fancy dress dance at the school, 9 p.m.

March 12—Dance at Peak Club, 9.15 p.m.

March 19—The Hong Kong A.D.C.'s 1st performance at Theatre Royal of "Last of Mrs. Cheyne" the latest farce from London.

Sports.

March 5—Sixth Tournament of the Hong Kong Boxing Association, Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

March 14—Kowloon Cricket Club annual tennis tournament.

March 19 & 20—Inaugural Race Meeting of the International Race & Recreation Club of Macao Ltd. Meetings.

March 4—Annual meeting of Hong Kong Shanghai Hotels, Ltd. Exchange Bldg, 11 a.m.

March 4—Meeting of British Traders' Insurance Co., Union Bldg, 12.15 p.m.

March 4—China Fire Insurance Co. Meeting, Union Bldg, 12.30 p.m.

March 4—Meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Union Bldg., noon.

March 5—Thirty-eighth meeting of Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd., P. & O. Building, 11 a.m.

March 7—Annual Meeting of Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd., Messrs. Jardine, Matheson's offices, noon.

March 7—Annual meeting of Victoria Diocesan Assn., Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

March 15—Mid-Level Residents' Assn. Ladies' Recreation Club.

Lampert's Auctions.

March 5—At Sales Room, Dundell St., provisions and sundries, 11 a.m.

March 7—At 5 Macdonnell Rd. household furniture, 2.45 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

March 3—St. John's Cathedral Choral Evensong and Address, 5.45 p.m.

March 4—Organ Recital, St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m.

March 5—Nationalist Press Association, Hotel Savoy.

At the Church of the Assumption, Penang on Feb. 17, Father Devails officiating, the marriage took place of Bernard Scott, chief officer of the Straits Steamship Co.'s steamer "Kuala," and Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. J. R. Rutherford and Mrs. Rutherford.

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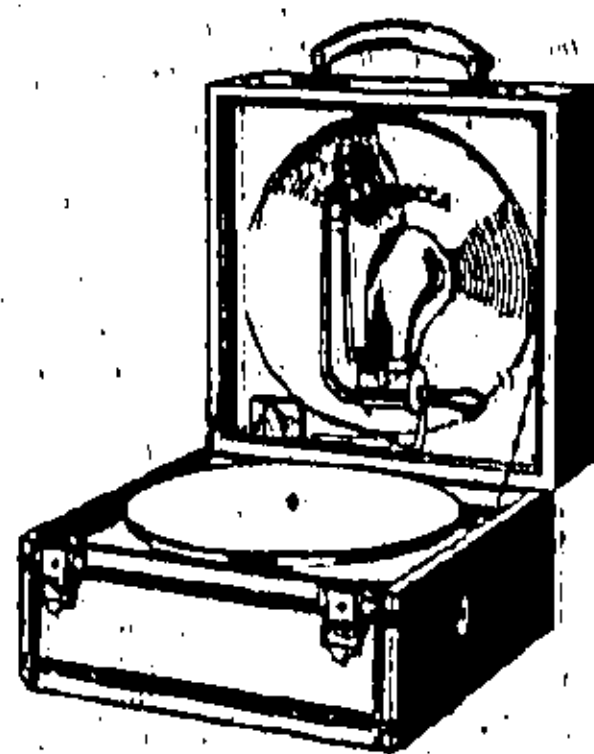
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Two coolie women were riding on top of some sheet tin loaded in a motor truck on Nathan Road yesterday, when some of the cargo slipped and the women fell off. One of them sustained a bad cut in the leg and had to be taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

Mr. Herbert Whitworth, chairman and managing director of Messrs. Herbert Whitworth, Limited, manufacturers and merchants, Manchester, has offered £10,000 to establish a scholarship fund to assist young men desirous of taking up a career with the export trade in Manchester goods.

Snow in the Central Japan coast region reached twelve to twenty feet in height, being the highest in 260 years, says a Tokyo message of Feb. 7. The acting Home Minister, M. Adachi informed the Diet that the snow disaster had resulted in 163 dead, 53 injured, 22 missing, while the number of houses destroyed reached 318. The railway communications in the affected region, which had been temporarily suspended since February 8 were finally reopened.

The wanderings of a lunatic who escaped from Broadmoor 38 years ago, were described, when James Kelly, an aged man, applied to the Yokingham magistrates for readmission to Broadmoor, where he escaped in January 1888 after conviction for murdering his wife. He subsequently lived in Paris, England, Rotterdam, New York, and crossed the Atlantic several times. He recently returned to England from New Orleans, working his passage. "I have come back to Broadmoor so as to die properly," he said.

Mr. Baldwin at the jubilee banquet of the United Kingdom Chamber of Shipping revealed an unpublished story of the war. He told of a little cargo boat from Dundee which had a duel with the German auxiliary cruiser "Leopold" which was trying to slip into the Atlantic to support the submarine attack. The Premier praised the Commander, Captain Selwyn Day as "a Sir Richard Grenville of the merchant service." Captain Day says the hero was not himself but Lieutenant Lawson who boarded the "Leopold" and lost his life.

The third organ recital in connection with the re-opening of the organ in St. John's Cathedral will be given by Mr. Frederick Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L. to-morrow at 5.45 p.m.

Four thousand automatic telephones are on the way to Canton from the Automatic Telephone Co. of Chicago, between which and the Municipal Telephone Administration a contract was signed last year for the installation of a complete automatic system to replace the antiquated manual system now in use in Canton.



Mr. Parker Gilbert, financial expert, and representative of the United States on the reparations commission which is attempting to solve the fiscal problem of Europe, who recently called on President Coolidge to report on the progress of his work.

A London air correspondent says the United States Navy is inviting tenders for the construction of a super-airship, with quick firing guns in the bow and stern and in disappearing turrets, which it is claimed will be the world's largest aircraft. The length will be 720 feet and it will have twelve engines. The speed will be 80 m.p.h. and there will be a crew of ten officers and 32 men.

The recent passage through the Canal of H.M.S. "Renown" with the Duke and Duchess of York on board added 14,500 dollars (\$2,900) to the canal tolls for January. This is the largest toll which is recorded to have been levied on any vessel except H.M.S. "Hood," which paid 23,839 dollars (\$4,768).

The value of newspaper publicity was never better illustrated than an incident growing out of a request made upon the "Daily Mail" by a Briton formerly of Athelstead Farm, the Transvaal. This individual wrote to the London newspaper asking for "someone who lives within the sounds of London" to write to him. Hundreds of letters reached him before Christmas. Four hundred came in one mail, the correspondents ranging from a viscount to an engine driver. Then came Christmas and with it: 2,500 letters, hundreds of parcels and newspaper packages, and 15 Christmas puddings. His mail is now bigger than any he could hope to deal with and in addition it is imposing an undue strain on the postmistress who, as the Briton has now left the district, has had to readress hundreds of his letters. No man should be lonely after that avalanche of mail and puddings.

An interesting discussion is in progress concerning the contents of the stomachs of the ancient predynastic Egyptians, writes the London correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian." The point is of great importance in establishing the date of the birth of agriculture and hence of civilisation. Professor Elliot Smith holds that these predynastic Egyptians did not eat wheat because barley husks only are found in their stomachs. On the other hand Professor Percival, the wheat expert, explains that the wheat would probably have had its husks removed, leaving nothing sufficiently tough to resist decay. Whatever the outcome of this controversy may be, one cannot help wondering what the ancient owners of the stomachs would have thought about it. Perhaps they would not have been particularly surprised to hear that the contents of their stomachs would be eagerly debated a hundred centuries hence, for they presumably had the overwhelming Egyptian belief in the reality of a somewhat material future life.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Sub-Inspector and Mrs. A. J. W. Dorrington and family returned to the Colony from Home leave by the P. & O. "Macedonia."

Mr. Lo Kan, Miss V. Leonard and Mr. Kwok Sin-lau were among the passengers who arrived here on the "President Lincoln" from Shanghai and ports.

Mr. Louis Magrath King, lately of the British Consular Service in China, is the author of "China in Turmoil: Studies in Personality," presently to be issued by Messrs. Heath Cranton.

Lieutenant-Commander C. M. Faure has been appointed to H.M.S. "Hawkins," flagship of the China station, additional, for disposal and as interpreter in Chinese. He has studied the Chinese language (both written and spoken) for many years and is highly proficient.

After a trip to Shanghai on the occasion of the opening of new premises of the Ho Hong Bank, Ltd., Mr. Ko Leong-hoe (chairman of the Hong Kong board) has returned to the Colony by the "President Lincoln."

The following appointments were made by the Admiralty on Jan. 28:—Surgn. Lieut.-Comdr. H. Hurst, to "Tamar," addl. (Jan. 31), and for R.N. Hosp., Hong Kong (on joining); and E. B. Kelley, M.B., to "Tamar," addl. (Jan. 31), and for R.N. Hosp., Hong Kong (from date of joining).

Mr. G. R. Rice, a local auditor of the Scottish Command, has been appointed to the Staff of the Shanghai Defence Force as Financial Adviser and Local Auditor to the General Officer Commanding. He has accordingly been gazetted Colonel, General List, Regular Army Reserve of Officers.

As from Jan. 27 Captain R. H. T. Rakes, D.S.O., who has had two years in command of the Chinese Submarine Flotilla, was relieved by Captain J. B. Glenister, D.S.O. The latter officer was appointed to the Distinguished Service Order in November, 1917, in recognition of good work in enemy waters.

Returning from long leave, Mr. E. Larmour (land surveyor of the Public Works Department) arrived on the P. & O. "Macedonia" from London.

Mr. E. L. Judd will take charge of Messrs. Brunner, Mond and Co. (China), Ltd. in South China during the absence on leave of the Manager, Mr. G. F. Haslam.

Colonel W. S. Mackenzie, R.A.P.C., Command Paymaster with the British Forces in Egypt, has been transferred to the Shanghai Defence Force as Command Paymaster, and has arrived at Shanghai on the "Minnesota."



Mr. Albert Henry Washburn, United States Minister to Austria.

Among the passengers who arrived in Hong Kong on the "Macedonia" from London were Major C. B. Mullins, R.E.M., Mr. E. P. Thorpe and Mrs. Thorpe, going on to Shanghai, by the same boat as the R.N. and Mrs. E. Clements, Mrs. (Dr.) Hadden, M.A., Lt.-Comdr. H. Hamilton, M.N., Mr. Conner, G. H. Thomas, O.B.E., R.N., and many others.

Craigengower Cricket Club are having another dance in the clubhouse at Happy Valley this Saturday, beginning at 9 p.m.

The Prince of Wales, in the poor districts of London on Feb. 10, visited the coffee and fried fish shops. The owner of one of the former said to-day: "It was late, and my shop was shut, when someone knocked. I wondered whether to send for a policeman, but finally opened the door. It was the Prince of Wales. I was surprised."

Apparently the Ford Motor Company is the one thing that money cannot buy even in America. A New York stockbroker has testified that Henry Ford has three times refused the offer of a billion dollars for his property, the last offer thirty days ago. This testimony was given in the course of an appeal by Henry Ford from a tax ruling of the Treasury Department. A newspaper statistician has calculated that on the basis of the billion-dollar valuation Henry Ford's income at 6 per cent is \$23 sterling every minute.

Sir Harry Lauder is to play the principal part in the British adaptation of John Buchan's novel "Huntingtower," which is being produced by Welsh, Pearson and the Spring. Messrs. Welsh, Pearson, Ltd., have issued the following account of an interview which Mr. T. Welsh has had with Sir Harry in America:—"Of course I have on the past received many tempting offers to come over the world to appear in picture-plays, but until recently I have not fancied the idea," said Sir Harry. "I felt somehow that I would miss the warmth and cheerfulness of personal contact with an audience that means so much to an artist. Do you know what made me alter my views? Broadcasting. I realised that if I could perform successfully, to an unresponsive microphone I could surely act in front of a film camera. But don't run away with the idea that I expect to succeed in film acting without a great deal of careful work and study. I never expect to succeed in anything without that. I shall enjoy every minute of the work. Oh, yes, I'm getting well paid for it. But I would not have undertaken the part except for the fact that the picture is to be made entirely in Great Britain. The time has come for us British to show the world that we can make picture-plays as good as those of any other nation."

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SPORTS SECTION

HOME SOCCER.

LATEST RESULTS IN MID-WEEK.

YESTERDAY'S MATCHES.

London, March 2.
League football matches played to-day (home teams given first) resulted—
English League.
Division I:—Everton 2, Sheffield Wednesday 1.
Division II:—South Shields 3, Bradford City 3.
Div. III (South):—Bournemouth 1, Brighton 0.
Div. III (North):—Wrexham 2, Wigan 0.
Scottish League.
Division I:—Dundee United 1, Hamilton 2.
Division 2:—Roulier.

NOT QUITE.

BABE RUTH'S SLOGAN: "ORI QUIT."

BASEBALL STARS PAY.

New York, March 2.
After a dazzling blaze of publicity in support of his case, the base baller Babe Ruth, whose slogan was "a hundred thousand or I quit," agreed to continue big-hitting for the New York Yankees at a salary of \$15,000 a year, on a contract of three years.
Babe Ruth previously received \$50,000—Reuter's American Service.

LOCAL GOLF.

HOLDER WINS KOWLOON CHAMPIONSHIP.

In the final of the Kowloon Golf Club championship over 36 holes on Monday, F. E. Remedios (holder) beat K. S. Robertson by 4 up, and 3 to play.
Robertson won the first three holes. At the end of 9 he was 2 up. Half way he still led by 1 hole.
The next nine holes Remedios did in four (a three, a five and a four), giving him the lead by 2 holes up. During the next six holes, the holder increased his lead to 4 and won at the 33rd.
Happy Valley Juniors.
As only 16 entries were received by Royal Hong Kong Golf Club for the Happy Valley junior championship, there will be no qualifying round and the draw has resulted as follows:

C. A. Goldenberg v. D. Lyon.
T. W. Carr v. J. M. McBride.
F. E. Remedios v. R. C. Wallace.
A. E. Clarke v. W. McVay.
P. Morrison v. C. A. Grimes.
J. Ling v. S. H. Burrod.
F. H. Glover v. G. McLeod.
J. McCubbin v. W. Pryde.
Final over 36 holes, other rounds 18 holes.
First round to be completed by March 19, second round April 2, semi-final April 16, final April 30.

CIVIL SERVICE XIS.

Civil Service Cricket Club teams to play on Saturday at 2 p.m. have been selected as follows:—
1st XI (friendly):—Indian R.C. (captain), G. R. Sayer, A. E. Wood, E. C. Pincher, F. J. Link, F. E. Lawrence, P. H. Holdman, A. N. Other.
2nd XI (friendly):—Indian R.C. (captain), H. F. Harper, R. S. W. Paterson, R. C. Sutherland, H. F. Westlake, A. R. Davies, A. W. Grimmit, W. F. J. Gorvin, C. Sara. Reserves:—P. P. O'Neill, T. W. Carr.

GARRISON RECREATION CLUB.

The Garrison Recreation Club has been placed under the control of the South China Command Sports Board.
The Rev. F. P. W. Alexander, C.F. of the 2nd Batt., King's Own Scottish Borderers, has been appointed hon. secretary of this Board, in place of Major L. J. Lightfoot, O.B.E., R.A.P.C.
S.Q.M.S. E. E. Steele, D.C.M., M.M., R.A.P.C., is the sports secretary.

"Iron" Bux, the local Indian boxer, and "Kid" Raymond of Manila, who have been unable to secure bouts locally are to figure in a tournament in Macao on Saturday evening.
Bux is to box 10 two-minute rounds with Jose P. Silva, middle-weight champion of the Portuguese Navy and Army, while Raymond fights a six-round contest with J. da Conceicao.
Two other contests between local boxers will complete the card.

HOLIDAY CRICKET.

VOLUNTEERS OVERWHELM SERVICES.

VALLACK'S 12 WICKETS.

By taking 12 wickets for 18 runs in one innings yesterday, G. R. Vallack had the distinction of getting 12 wickets in a match at a cost of 48 runs.
This bowling feat contributed materially to the victory of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps over the United Services (at the H.K.C.C. ground) by an innings and 51 runs. Scores:—
United Services—1st Innings.
Rev. Venn, c Sayer, b Bowker 5.
Hunt, b Bowker 13.
Lt. Comdr. Shaw, b Vallack 10.
Capt. Morris, b Bowker 13.
Capt. Dobbie, not out 19.
Capt. Perfect, run out 0.
Walters, b Bowker 0.
Mid. Atkinson, b Bowker 0.
Lt. Tregear, c Owen Hughes, b Vallack 0.
Lt. Comdr. Beatty, c Fincher, b Vallack 0.
Total (for 5 wkts. dec.) 378.
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Bowker 8 1 16 5
Vallack 8 0 30 12

Volunteers—1st Innings.
J. C. Lyle, c Venn, b Beatty 60.
A. W. Ramsay, b Beatty 44.
J. R. Hinton, b Beatty 6.
E. J. R. Mitchell, not out 38.
H. Owen Hughes, c Dobbie, b Walters 6.
Sayer, b Thorpe 6.
Extras 15.
Total (for 5 wkts. dec.) 378.
B. C. Fincher, P. E. Lawrence, A. C. I. Bowker, W. Wooding, G. R. Vallack did not bat.
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Dobbie 9 2 18 0
Beatty 11 0 57 3
Perfect 4 0 15 0
Morris 5 0 29 0
Thorpe 4 1 14 0
Shaw 4 0 18 0
Walters 3 0 19 1
United Services—2nd Innings.
Capt. Thorpe, c Ramsay, b Vallack 6.
Hunt, c Owen Hughes, b Vallack 0.
Rev. Venn, c Sayer, b Vallack 7.
Capt. Morris, c Owen Hughes, b Vallack 18.
Capt. Dobbie, b Vallack 5.
Capt. Perfect, b Lyle 7.
Lt. Comdr. Shaw, b Vallack 4.
Lt. Tregear, c and b Vallack 0.
Lt. Comdr. Beatty, c Bowker, b Vallack 23.
Mid. Atkinson, b Vallack 0.
Walters, not out 1.
Extras 7.
Total 78.
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Bowker 7 1 29 0
Vallack 14 5 18 9
Lyle 5 0 24 1

At Pokfulam (University ground) yesterday, Engineering Faculty defeated Arts Faculty by five wickets.
Previously Engineering had drawn with Medical who, in turn, had lost to Arts. Accordingly, the Engineering Faculty win the rubber for the season. Scores:—
Arts Faculty.
T. E. Yeoh, b Suleiman 10.
S. V. Gittins, c Chen, b Youngsaye 54.
E. Zimmermann, c Schroter, b Youngsaye 29.
W. H. Sling, c Schroter, b Youngsaye 0.
P. Zimmern, b W. M. Gittins 5.
B. P. Ng, c Hazeland, b Youngsaye 0.
S. E. Noronha, c Chen, b Youngsaye 19.
F. J. H. Trays, c Youngsaye, b Hazeland 0.
G. C. Edwards, run out 0.
Dr. R. A. Ponsbury, not out 28.
W. A. Youngsaye, b Hazeland 12.
Extras 10.
Total 167.
BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Suleiman 9 0 46 2
Hazeland 6 4 0 26
W. M. Gittins 10 3 26 1
J. L. Youngsaye 12 1 59 5

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STABLE FORM.

ANALYSIS OF 5 DAYS' RACING.

WHAT THE RESULTS TELL.

Honours during the first three

days' races of the Hong Kong

Jockey Club annual meeting this

week were distributed as follows:—

Winning Owners.

1st 2nd 3rd

Mr. L. Dunbar 4 3 2

Messrs. Hall and Shenton 5 4 3

Mr. E. E. 5 0 2

Mr. Dynasty 4 6 2

Messrs. Toster and Abraham 2 2 2

Mr. R. J. Paterson 1 3 2

Mr. R. M. Austin 1 3 2

Messrs. Teeg and Priestley 1 2 6

Messrs. Dyer and Both 1 1 8

Mr. Ho Kom-tong 1 1 0

Mrs. Bernard 1 0 1

Mr. Sim 1 0 1

Dr. J. C. Macgown 1 0 0

Mr. Roda 1 0 0

Mr. R. H. Austin 1 0 0

Mrs. Priestley 1 0 0

Mr. Henry Humphreys 1 0 0

Messrs. Dunbar and Stanton 0 1 1

Mr. R. J. Paterson 0 0 1

Mr. H. Seth 0 0 1

Winning Jockeys.

1st 2nd 3rd

Mr. A. M. Dallas 7 2 3

Mr. J. Poto-Hunt 6 1 2

Mr. L. P. Ralph 5 3 4

Mr. C. Encarnacao 4 5 1

Mr. A. M. Halmovich 3 12 2

Mr. E. A. Brodie 1 3 4

Mr. M. M. Sokoloff 1 2 8

Mr. L. Reidy 1 1 1

Mr. G. U. de Rosa 1 0 1

Mr. Wallace 1 0 0

Mr. T. L. Wong 1 1 2

Mr. A. Gordon 1 0 1

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SNOBBERY IN SPORT.

IS THERE SHALLOWSNESS IN IT?

PETTY CONCEITS DANGER.

Although Thackeray did not in-

clude the sporting variety in his

"Book of Snobs," yet he showed in

his "concluding observations" that

he was conscious of the omission

—even in those days, when sport

held a very insignificant position

in public affairs compared with

that it now occupies.

One can well imagine (says a

Home paper) with what irony he

would describe the different vari-

eties of the genus which now exist;

not even Lieutenant-Colonel Snobley

himself could outline some of the

modern professors of snobbery!

Vice Not Confined.

This is all the more remarkable

seeing that in sport, above every-

thing else, there is no room for

snobbery. Is not the very essence

of sport the spirit of good fellowship

which knows no distinction of

class? As well might one expect

oil and water to mix as to find your

true sportsman indulging in the

petty conceits born of self-inflated

superiority.

Nor is this vice confined to any

particular form of sport, for one

may find it, to a lesser or greater

extent, in every game and form of

exercise that is known in this coun-

try. Thus, there are hunting snobs

and shooting snobs, cricket snobs

and football snobs, lawn tennis

snobs and bridge snobs, golf snobs

and billiard snobs.

"Good Lord!"

A striking instance of one form

of snobbery came under the writer's

notice quite recently: it may be

quoted as typical of the attitude of

certain individuals, happily not a

large or representative number.

A young man, repentant in

voluminous pink "bags," was travel-

ling in a railway carriage with a

companion whose attenuated nether

garments marked her as of the

other sex. Presently he noticed

from the window one of those

splendidly equipped sports grounds

which may be found on the out-

skirts of London. The following

conversation followed:—

Her: Hullo! Rugby goal-post! I

didn't know there was any Rugby

ground down this way.

She: Oh, that is Harridge's

Stones ground.

He: Good Lord! I didn't know

those sort of people played Rug-

ger!

Very Young & Ignorant.

There you have it in a nutshell!

"Those sort of people!" Our young

exquisite imagined apparently that

games like Rugby football are the

prerogative of what is called the

"Public School class" or the "Vars-

ity type." Of course, this young

man was very young and very

ignorant, but there are many who

should know better who preserve

this attitude of mind through life

and, incidentally, can do a tremen-

dous amount of harm to the games

they profess to admire so much.

Those of us who have joined in

sport to any extent remember with

pleasure the splendid fellows we

have met on the field of play from

the dockyards or mines, from the

lower rank of the Services, the

Police force, from every walk in

life. Good sportsmen all—and all

the more worthy of our esteem be-

cause they have not had the advan-

tage of education at public schools

or "Varsities, have had no skilled

coaches, no traditions of sport

handed down to them, little leisure

in which to practise or learn the

niceties of the games they play.

Condescension to Play?

One particularly obnoxious type

of the snob in sport is the young

man, or young woman, who spends

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THE WORLD OF BOOKS

NEW BOOKS.

"THE CHRIST OF THE INDIAN ROAD."

"Christ of the Indian Road," by E. Stanley Jones. (Hodder and Stoughton, 3 6 net).

A notable book showing the immense recent change in high-caste Hindu thought, due to the permeation of the ideals of the Christ. Imagine 100 high-caste Hindus, 100 Indian Christians, a few Mohammedans and several Westerners sitting down to a dinner together in Travancore! Also Christian meetings arranged in temples by Brahmins.

The most potentially spiritual race in the world may accept Christ as Christianity, and so may restore the lost radiance of the early days and give us a new outburst of spiritual power. A Hindu college principal said: "There is growing up in India a Christ-cult, entirely apart from the Christian church. The leading ideas of that cult are love, service and self-sacrifice. This is very different from the vast areas of the Christian world imbued with a mild form of Christianity and so practically immune against the real thing, which seems strange and impossible. Bernard Lucas says: 'We of the West posit the material and infer the spiritual, but India posits the spiritual and infers the material.'"

Christians should study carefully the principles for evangelists laid down by Gandhi and also those of the author and especially the living seeds of Hinduism, which are perhaps: (1) That the ultimate reality is spirit. (2) The sense of unity. (3) That there is justice at the heart of the universe. (4) A passion for freedom. (5) The tremendous cost of the religious life.

A concise summary of the different systems of faith is given in the following sayings—Greece "Be moderate—know thyself"; Rome "Be strong—order thyself"; Confucianism "Be superior—correct thyself"; Buddhism "Be disillusioned—annihilate thyself"; Hinduism "Be separated—merge thyself"; Mohammedanism "Be submissive—assert thyself"; Judaism "Be holy—conform thyself"; Modern Materialism "Be industrious—enjoy thyself"; Modern Dilettantism "Be broad—cultivate thyself"; Christianity "Be Christ-like—give thyself."

SQUIRE OF BLANKNEY.

LADY LONDONDERRY'S FINE BOOK.

Not the least fascinating thing in Lady Londonderry's life of her famous father, Henry Chaplin, are the photographs. We moderns must see Blankney Hall and Dunrobin Castle, and study the Squire of Blankney as he appeared in the splendour of Mid-Victorian sporting attire, to understand what a gorgeous mortal he really was. The son of a hunting parson, Mr. Chaplin, as an Oxford undergraduate kept three mounts of his own, and with the ruin of half-a-dozen more, never spent a complete day at the "Varsity. All through his jolly career he was Fortune's darling, and was able to keep big perspectives of life. He got into the Cabinet, but never regarded politics as on the same plane as hunting. He was, in short, a great Corinthian.

Reading Lady Londonderry's admirable book, one doubts whether a man ever enjoyed this earth, and the fullness thereof, with a healthier zest. All the world knows the story how his sweetheart jilted him to run away with the Marquess of Hastings, but not so many are aware that the lady and he remained intimate friends. Among innumerable good stories in the book is Mr. Chaplin's description of a peeress who tripped over her train at Court, turned turtle, and fell on her back, with her legs in the air facing Queen Victoria. On this occasion "we" were amused, and Mr. Chaplin, as Minister in attendance, nearly choked. One rather regrets that Lady Londonderry has not included in her volume some extracts from one of Mr. Chaplin's last House of Commons orations on the decay of drinking in England.

COLONEL LAWRENCE

MR. SHAW ON BRITAIN'S INGRATITUDE.

London, Feb. 3. Mr. G. Bernard Shaw has written a preface to a catalogue of Exhibition pictures illustrating Col. Lawrence's book, "The Seven Pillars of Wisdom," of which only 100 copies have been printed, by private subscription.

Mr. Shaw says that any country with a Valhalla or a spark of gratitude would have rewarded Col. Lawrence's services against the Turks during the War with a magnificent pension and built him another "Blenheim," but the British Government left him to pension himself by writing a book and living on the proceeds.

Mr. Shaw explains that the pictures are the property of a Trust established by Colonel Lawrence with the residue from the sale of pictures.

PALMISTRY.

"THE HAND OF DISEASE."

"The Hand of Disease," by Noel Jacquin (Cecil Palmer, 5/- net).

This book on Palmistry opens with a rancorous attack on doctors, doubtless because they do not believe that predispositions to disease are shown on the hand. One can imagine their feeling toward a palmist who tells a nervous patient he is specially liable to "insanity or cancer! Cancer Jacquin considers the result of suppressed energy, curable in the early stage by dietetic treatment and emotional expression. Jacquin actually says the hand of man will reveal all the good and evil, physical and spiritual, that dwells within. The left hand indicates all inherited predisposition and characteristic traits; the right the present state of character, health and mentality. Therefore, by careful comparison, it is quite easy to ascertain the rule of development of any disease or predisposition.

Whitish spots in nails indicate nervous exhaustion and are generally observed on high-strung individuals. The spinal column is a flexible and armoured cable carrying the main supply of vitality or nerve energy from the brain to the body. Professor Robertson states that young men between 25 and 35 continuing bachelors die on the average four years sooner than married men, and run three times the risk of becoming insane.

A WOMAN OF TIBET.

Rin-Chen-Lha-Mo, a Tibetan woman, who is married to an ex-Consul of Britain, Louis King, gives us an intimate picture of her country and its people in a book which should please the discerning even though much that it contains is plainly coloured by patriotism. The book had to be thought in Tibetan and translated into Chinese by its author, then Mr. King re-translated it into English. It has lost nothing of naive simplicity in the process, and the lady's work is, indeed, far better in thought and expression than the long historical introduction supplied by her husband. Here is a sample: "Ours is a vast country. It is a month's journey on horseback to cross the width of Kham and another month to cross its length, and Kham is but one part of Tibet. It is a country of great mountains and broad uplands and sheltered valleys. Ascend to some point and look around you. Mountain ranges line upon line stretch in all directions as far as the eye can reach. You are above the clouds, and so are they, and you seem to be on a level with them, and the whole world seems to be made up of mountains. Here and there some great peak stands out purple in the strong sunshine and seems to touch Heaven itself." ("We Tibetans," by Rin-Chen Lha-Mo. London, Seely Service.)

FIRST EDITION CLUB.

PROPOSED HOME IN FAMOUS HOUSE.

Four years ago a small number of book lovers, feeling the need in this country for some club or association which should represent their interests and bring together others of like sympathies, founded the First Edition Club, says a Home paper. At first dependent on the hospitality of members for rooms wherein to meet, the club expanded so much that three years ago it took over the old vestry hall of St. George's Church, Bloomsbury, and there established its headquarters, and held some of its exhibitions. These exhibitions have covered the "firsts" of Austin Dobson and William Butler Yeats, and book-binders and tradesmen's cards. Further accommodation is now necessary, and the members propose to quit their home in the vestry hall and acquire a seventeenth-century freehold mansion, No. 99, Great Russell Street, within a stone's throw of the British Museum. No. 99 combines historic associations with interior beauty and ample space. It was here, as a bronze tablet on the wall records, that Thomas Beaulieu, the friend of Dr. Johnson, came to live; here he was visited by the great lexicographer himself, Horace Walpole, and other celebrities, and here he died. Johnson and Beaulieu were singularly different, but they had many points in common. Both of them belong to the literary circle of their day, and it is a happy coincidence that an literary circle of our day should propose to establish itself in Beaulieu's home. Johnson delighted in the qualities of his young friend, who, Boswell says, could take more liberties with him than anyone else he knew. They dined together, and, of course, fell out; but when Beaulieu was suffering from his last illness, the good old doctor declared, "Sir, I would walk to the extent of the diameter of the earth to save Beaulieu," and when he died Johnson paid tribute to his wit and folly, his acuteness and maliciousness, his merriment and reasoning. "Such another," he said, "will not often be found among mankind."

It is proposed to form a limited company to acquire the premises for the club members, and to raise the money necessary for the purchase, refitting, and furnishing of the house by the issue of Debentures. The capital expenditure is estimated at £40,000. Lord Vaux of Harrowden, the Hon. Oliver Brett, Dr. G. C. Williamson, Mr. Albert Ehrman, and Mr. A. J. A. Symons have agreed to constitute the first board of directors.

THE SOUL OF FRANCE.

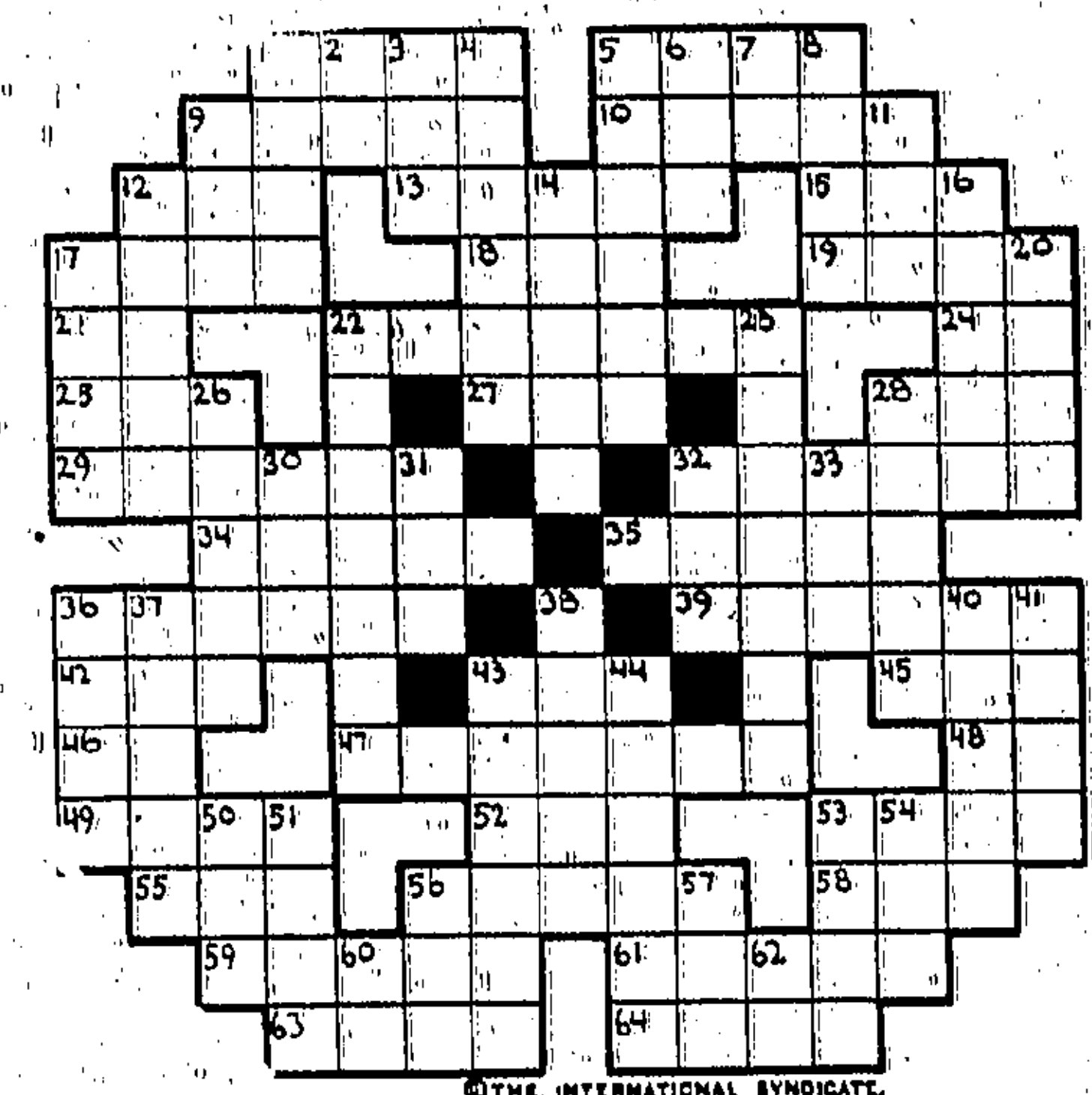
France, as it is known to Ford Madox Ford, is a lovely land of strong sunlight, blue shadows, and quiet. He has often written about it, but is not given to repeating himself as some authors do when they become attached to a city or a country. This book is a very charming one to take up and read, out in the open-air of summer, under the shade of a tree, when one is too lazy to follow the thrilling exploits of the master-crook or the miracle-working detective. In its pages Ford devotedly holds up a mirror to the French countryside, the keen, shrewd peasant, the gay folk of the town, everybody, and everything which is really France, and not Paris. It is a praiseworthy aim, for there are too many people about who have seen the surface of Paris and go through life imagining that they have plumbed the depths and climbed the heights of French tradition and character. ("A Mirror to France," by Ford Madox Ford; London, Duckworth.)

ARGONAUTS OF THE AIR.

Mr. Lowell Thomas, author of "With Lawrence in Arabia," now tells the story of the first world flight by the six American airmen who flew from Seattle to Seattle, after having put a girdle round the earth in something more than time allowed by Puck. Naturally, on a

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert. But our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and alkali.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1—Unit
- 5—Homeless street wanderer
- 9—Great dam of Panama Canal
- 10—Prices
- 12—Head covering
- 13—Inform
- 15—More taste
- 17—Aggrieved
- 18—Dexterity
- 19—Spruce
- 21—Part of Bible (abbr.)
- 22—Rambling
- 24—Musical note
- 25—Golf term
- 27—Society (abbr.)
- 28—Soak
- 29—Roofers
- 30—Conceded
- 34—A kernel
- 35—A ball
- 36—Mental ability
- 37—Prevents
- 42—Part of verb "to be"
- 43—Winged mammal
- 45—River (Spanish)
- 46—Lithium (abbr.)
- 47—Arguments

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

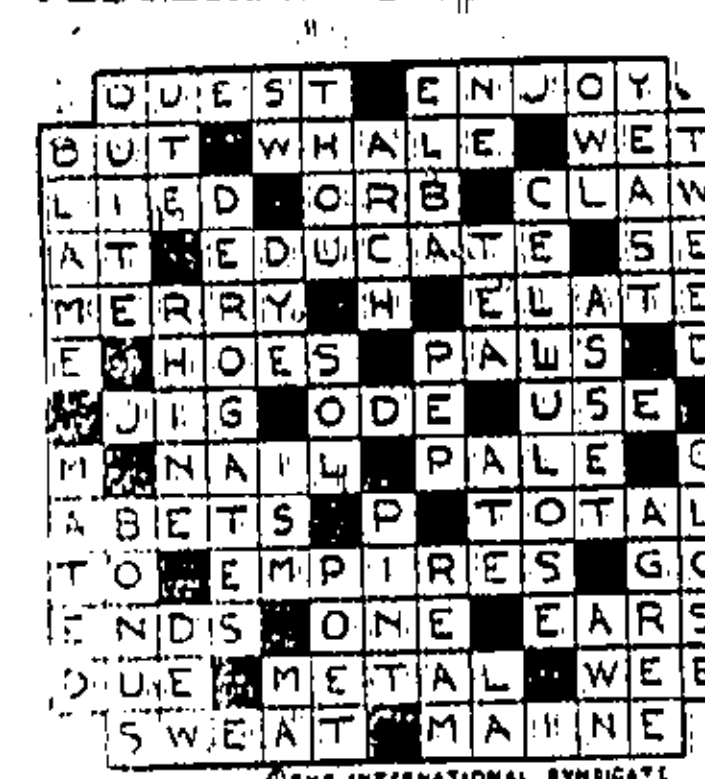
- 48—State of U.S. (abbr.)
- 49—A king (Shakespeare)
- 52—Tow
- 53—A substitute
- 55—Falsehood
- 56—Braiding
- 58—Summ denoting "condition"
- 59—Cough
- 61—Ensnare
- 63—Grabs
- 64—Covered portico (Greek)
- 1—Tardy
- 2—Pronoun
- 3—Crazy person (slang)
- 4—Works into homogeneous mass
- 5—Annoyance
- 6—College yell
- 7—Upon
- 8—Most excellent
- 9—A fish
- 11—Title of respect
- 12—Linn
- 14—Eagerness

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 16—Steer
- 17—Drunkards
- 20—Charts
- 22—A red gem (pl.)
- 23—Bird of prey
- 28—A fling
- 30—Three (Italian)
- 31—Gradually slower (Mus. abbr.)
- 32—Room idly
- 33—Felt
- 34—High
- 37—Spits who aids Prospero (Shakespeare)
- 38—Shallow vessel
- 40—Cleanse
- 41—Short stocking
- 43—English title (pl.)
- 44—Lance
- 50—Help
- 51—Part of harness
- 52—Lingistic
- 53—A tree
- 56—Flap
- 57—Pet animal
- 60—State of U.S. (abbr.)
- 62—Toward

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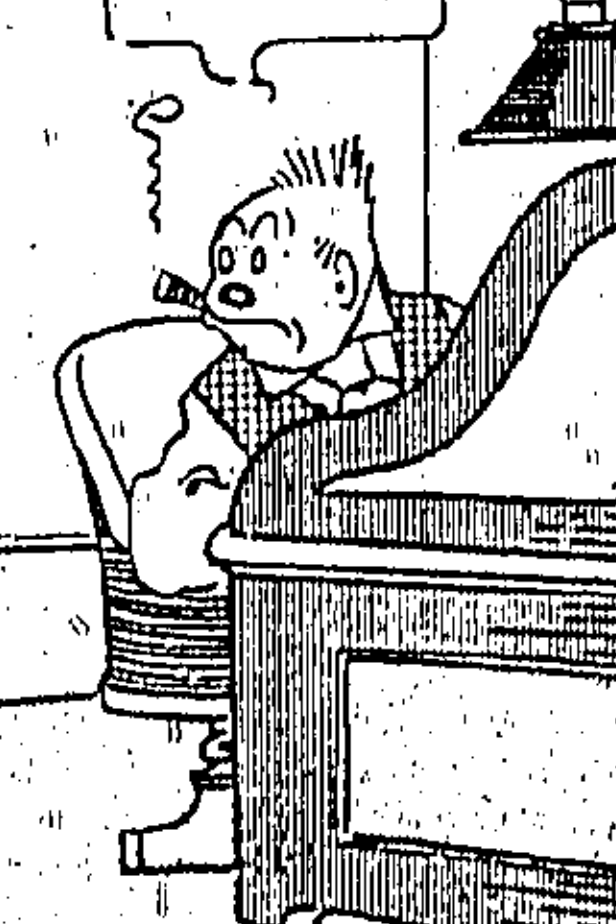
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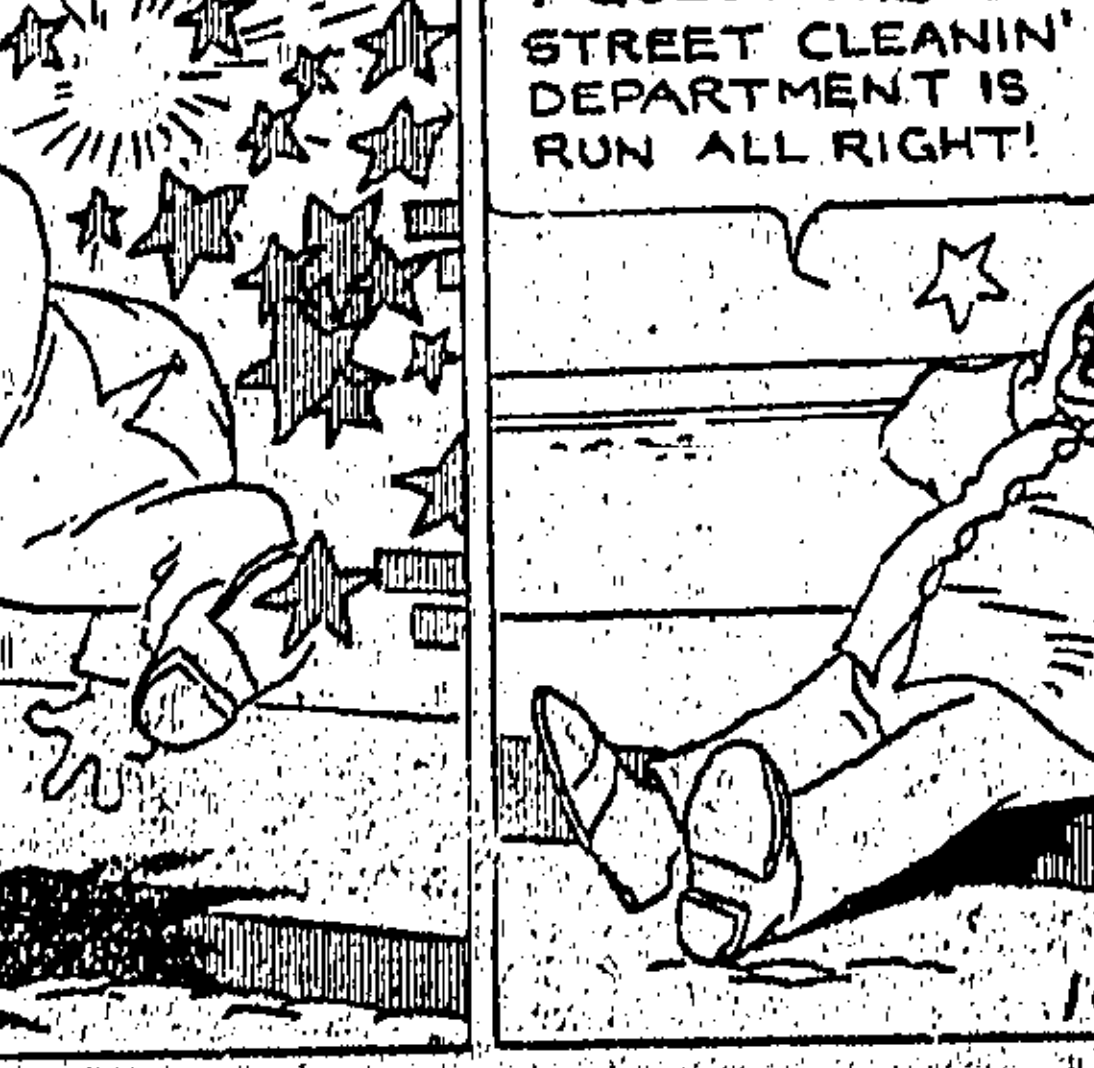
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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Mr. Eric Platt's Captain Webb
won the Berkshire Hurdle Race
at Newbury Race meeting.

The Empire Theatre in Leices-
ter-square is closed for demoli-
tion. On the site will be erected
a cinema to accommodate 3,500
people.

It was stated at the headquar-
ters of the Land and Nation
League that it was hoped to hold
20,000 land meetings during the
present year and to engage an
army of 2,000 voluntary speak-
ers.

Scarcely a household in the
low-lying parts of Switzerland, it
is reported, has escaped the in-
fluenza epidemic. So far the
trouble has not made an appear-
ance in the high mountain re-
sorts, which are crowded with
visitors for the winter resorts.

Details of the explosion in Dr.
Spahlinger's laboratory show
that deadly germs were scattered
over the whole room, and the
doctor remained there several
hours disinfecting himself and
cleansing the laboratory. For
fear they might contract disease,
he allowed none of his assist-
ants to enter the room.

Six English and three German
members of the skiing parties
which were carried away by an
avalanche near Zars, in the Aus-
trian Tyrol, have been killed.
An eye-witness of the disaster
estimates that the mass of snow
which swept away the skiers
was 80 yards long, fifty broad,
and eight deep.

In the probable event of the
President again consulting Con-
gress before the new Immigra-
tion Law comes into force, it is
expected that Congress will ap-
prove of the new system. Under
the new law the quotas are fixed
on the basis of the national
origin of the residents of the
United States in 1920; thereby
reducing considerably the num-
ber admissible from Scandinavia,
Germany, and the Irish Free
State, and increasing the num-
ber from England, Scotland,
Wales, and Northern Ireland.

In a schoolboys' Rugby inter-
national at Richmond, Scotland
defeated England by 13 points to
5.

T. Lander, the Newmarket
trainer, was responsible for three
of the winners at the Manchester
race meeting.

Selected furs and skins to the
value of 23,000 were carried off
from a City warehouse by thieves,
who silenced the burglary alarm
bell before examining the stock.

Livingstone Chapel, at Stan-
ford Rivers, Essex, from which
the famous explorer nervously
fled from the pulpit in attempting
to deliver his first sermon, has
been destroyed by fire.

In an attempt to avoid a man
in the roadway in Vauxhall
Bridge Road, near Victoria Sta-
tion, an omnibus was driven on
to the footpath and into some
railings, five persons being in-
jured.

It is expected, a Sydney cor-
respondent writes, that a \$350
bonus in addition to the allow-
ance of \$400 will be received by
the Australian cricket team from
the \$20,000 which is Australia's
share of the profits of the 1926
tour.

During the ten months ending
in October last the number of
immigrants into Canada was 63
per cent. above that in the cor-
responding period of 1925. Of
the total of 10,013, there were
3,654 British immigrants, and
1,799 were from the United
States.

Two sentences of two months'
imprisonment in the second divi-
sion, to run consecutively, were
passed at Marylebone Police
Court upon the Hon. Laurence
Edward Broomfield Palk (son of
his father, Lord Haldon), who ad-
mitted obtaining £3 10s. by false
pretences and a charge of lar-
ceny. Mr. Pedler, for the de-
fence, stated that defendant, who
had come down and down and
was now destitute, had never
been the same man since
he suffered from sunstroke and
malaria in the Army.

Mr. Joseph Corbett Lowe,
Liverpool, stock and share
broker, left £107,883.

Over 300 men were killed and
150 were wounded in the three-
day battle in Nicaragua. Many
wounded were left to die in the
swamps.

F. B. Rees rode three winners
at Plumpton race meeting. At
Manchester the Victory Steeple-
chase was won by Mr. E. Lloyd's
Shaun Or.

As a fire-engine conveying the
remains of Superintendent Ho-
ward Beckwith, Chief of the
Stockport Fire Brigade, who was
killed, left the station the fire
alarm was sounded.

"In proportion as women train
and make headway for them-
selves their scope in this branch
of business will grow," states
Miss Edith Beesley, who is the
first woman to be appointed to a
permanent position as insurance
manager.

According to the police authori-
ties at Cape Town and the cap-
tain and officers of the German
cruiser "Emden," a great tragedy
was averted by the use of the
hosepipe on the crowd which
thronged the jetty in the hope of
being able to inspect the ship.
Without the use of the hosepipe,
the Mayor says, citizens would
have been pushed over the quay-
side and some persons would have
been killed or drowned.

A London-Lowestoft mail goods
train broke into two parts, and
when the driver stopped the en-
gine at Woodbridge in the usual
way, the detached coaches, hav-
ing run down a decline, crashed
into the stationary front portion
of the train. The locomotive,
two mail vans, and several trucks
were derailed, and the permanent
way was torn up. A postman
who had been working in one of
the mail vans was slightly in-
jured. Visitors to the Zoo in
1926 numbered 1,934,000, the
second highest figure on record.
The total aquarium receipts since
its opening in 1924 amount to a
sum far exceeding the capital
cost of the institution.

ODDS AND ENDS.

A London Sunset.

A sky of that undefinable colour
that trembles between blue and
green. It is the colour the old
Italians loved, and has been em-
ployed as the background to many
an Umbrian castle, set around by
the dark torches of cypresses.
Across the sky move a squadron of
clouds, stained a deep, rose-red
through and through. They have
set sail from the port of sunset, and
pass overhead with a slow and
splendid grace, nobler than any
Spanish galleon floated by Philip
the Magnificent. In ten minutes
they had all gone, and with them
the magic went out of the sky. It
sunk into the sullen disillusion of
slate-grey twilight. Just a winter
sunset in London. Ten minutes of
pure enchantment in the afternoon.
At 4.10 it filled the skies. By 4.20
the insubstantial pageant had left
"not a wrack behind."—The "Daily
Chronicle."

The Spectacled Cat.

Although advertisements in the
Paris papers are few, and hoard-
ings and sandwichmen in the
Paris streets are rare, the boulevards
have always had a reputa-
tion for ingenious forms of ad-
vertising, says the Paris corres-
pondent of a London paper. The
latest is a loud speaker, which,
from the roof of a slowly-moving
motor-car, dominates the roar of
the traffic and forces you to listen
to the advice of the gentleman
who is calmly speaking from the
inside of the vehicle. Then there
is the tall pantomime cat in
seven-league boots, known to all
children who are ever taken past
a certain shoe shop near the
Opera, and the real cat gravely
sitting with spectacles on his
nose at the door of an optician's
in the Quartier Latin. The per-
manent artificial storm of rain in
the window of the waterproof
maker's is another form of amus-
ing home-made publicity. The
flashing night signs which are
unhappily invading some of the
most beautiful streets are less
innocuous. Paris has, however,
a tradition of artistic decency in
such matters, and the Prefect of
the Seine has just announced
that he has given a fortnight's
notice to the luminous advertise-
ments visible from the Place de
l'Opera and the Place de l'Etoile,
and that, failing compliance, the
signs will be removed by the
public authority. It is hoped soon
to take similar steps with regard
to the Place de la Concorde.

The Changing Sunday.

"The question of an enforced day
of rest is one that belongs to econ-
omies in the wider sense of the
word. The State must decide how
far it is wise to enforce it in the
interests of all classes of workers.
The question of worship is a volun-
tary one, for no one in the modern
world dreams of worship that is
compelled by law," writes "Op-
timus" in the "Westminster
Gazette." "The division of the
question into these two aspects will
prevent the Church from seem-
ing always to be asking for restric-
tive measures in its own interests.
That has had an unfortunate effect
in the past. It has given an im-
pression of a dog-in-the-manger
policy. The Church's one concern
is that of worship, not with the re-
gulations governing all the habits
of the day. That kind of thing may
be left to the legalists. The whole
conception of a day for worship has
been degraded by being involved
with discussion as to what one may
do on Sunday and what one may not
do, with the feeble attempt to draw
boundaries and erect barriers. The
Sabbath was associated with 'Thou
shalt not.' Sunday must be as-
sociated with the greater note of
'Thou shalt.'"

Restaurant Run by Boys.

The foreign waiter is a British
luxury. British boys do not take
kindly to waiting and cooking, re-
marks the "Manchester Guardian."
It is almost impossible to persuade
parents to send their children into
these professions, although it is ob-
vious that the professions are well
paid and that employment is regu-
lar. The London County Coun-
cil has realised the shortcomings
of the British boy in this direction.
This week it made permanent its
temporary school for the training of
waiters and chefs which was start-
ed at the instance of Major Isidore
Salmon in 1912. Boys are there
taught to cook, to keep kitchen ac-
counts, to speak French, even to
sell wine and to preserve cigars.
There are two courses—a three-year
course for chefs and a one-year
course for waiters. It is open
to any boys in an L.C.C.
school who compete for a techni-
cal scholarship in either wait-
ing or cooking. Otherwise the fees
are £3 or £5 a year. In term-time
the school runs a popular restaur-
ant next door to the Horticultural
Hall in Vincent Square. The
young students, who wear either
chef's clothe or evening dress
(some of them are not much over
4ft.), do all the cooking and all
the waiting. Last year the restaur-
ant took £1,400. But the chief
difficulty is to attract boys to the
school. This is in spite of the fact
that after a boy leaves the school
he is very likely to earn £2 or £3 a
week as a waiter when only 14 or
15 years old.

Girls—Or Boys?

A Professor at an American Uni-
versity has lately said, "Our boys
and girls are so much alike now-
days, I often forget which is
which." He may be a little short-
sighted, but isn't there some excuse
for his confusion? Nature surely
intended the sexes to be comple-
mentary rather than synonymous.
And though they seem tending to
converge to a new—marginal sex—
may we call it?—we can still dif-
ferentiate. The girl of the present
and still more the girl of the future,
may give cause for uneasiness.
The young men have altered little,
but the whole personality of our
girls (and girls all the world over)
seems in a state of fermentation.
They are the sport of a mysterious
urge—a new elan vital coming
whence? Though enforced by mass
suggestion, its infection is far more
potent than that. We see it round
us, penetrating, enveloping; we
feel its breath. We may shrink be-
fore its fumes of ill omen or wel-
come it if we are young enough, as
the bridegroom of freedom. This
apocalyptic inspiration, or call it
feminism for want of a better word,
takes many forms but in essence its
sway is inexorable.—J. W.—"From
the Pillow." (John Murray).

The Lost Crypt.

London's cloak is sober grey, but
magic went to the weaving of it; do
but speak her prettily and she will
show you the gold that runs
tarnish in its folds and jewels a-many hid-
den in its folds (writes Mary Mor-
rison in the "London Evening
News.") Old timbered houses that
saw Elizabeth go by, green trees her
father loved, are London's for our
pleasure, and always she gives new
treasures from her ancient hoard.
The Jacobean trunkets hidden
by a "Great Fire-scared" gold-
smith 300 years ago, the day before
the very floor of a Roman lady's
house here in our city, and now the
fair lost crypt of All Hallows-and-
Our-Lady-by-the-Tower. Long, long
ago, when the gardens were green
along the Strand, old tales were told
of how the Lion-Heart himself built
a chapel where All-Hallows stands to-
day, and of how the first great
Edward was bidden in a vision to
raise a statue of Our Lady there,
for she should be King of Eng-
land and Lord of Scotland and
Wales. Then All-Hallows rose there
by the Tower, a holy church indeed,
made holier yet by sorrow and by
grief. They have dug the earth
away from the old crypt and given
us a new page to turn in our pic-
ture book of dreams. Here may
have lain good Bishop Fisher and
the poet Surrey in their last quiet
sleep; here may have come Mar-
garet Roper to pray for that sweet
spirit Thomas More; here runs, for
understanding eyes, the story of
England as she wrote it on the Hill,
with treachery and courage, sweet
faith and bitter hate, in the old mar-
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Shanghai, Japan, & Europe via Siberia (letters & postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	5	Macedonia	5 p.m.
Manila	5	West Niger	5 p.m.
Saigon	5	Genzan Maru	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	4	Hai Ning	1 p.m.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 19th March. Parcels noon. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	5	Tanda	5 p.m.
Shanghai	5	Antenor	5 p.m.
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Hoihow, Pakhoi & Halphong	5	Takada Maru	8.30 a.m.
Straits	5	Yat Shing	1.30 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei	5	Kwong Hung	2 p.m.
Saigon	5	Phuon Penh	5 p.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	6	Kaijo	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	6	Kaijo	8.30 a.m.
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Swatow	7	Liangchow	9 a.m.
Amoy	7	Anhui	9 a.m.
Swatow	7	Kwaiyang	10.30 a.m.
Sandakan	7	Mausang	11.30 a.m.
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CIVIL WAR.

SAFETY OF BRITISH IN NICARAGUA.

WHY THE "COLOMBO" WAS SENT.

Rugby, March 2. Answering a number of questions in the House of Commons regarding the steps taken to protect British interests in Nicaragua, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, said that on January 3 Mr. Patterson, the British Charge d'Affaires at Managua, requested the United States Minister to extend to British subjects the benefit of any measures taken by the United States Government to protect United States citizens in Managua.

On January 28, on inquiry by the United States Government, the British Ambassador at Washington confirmed this request.

On February 17 Mr. Patterson telegraphed that the conditions were very menacing and that the United States Minister could give no guarantee for the safety of British lives and property in three of the principal towns.

Under these circumstances, His Majesty's Government judged it their duty to order the warship "Colombo" to proceed at once to serve as a base of refuge for British refugees should the need arise. — British Wireless Service.

TRAGIC EVENTS.

OUTCOME OF RELIGIOUS FANATICISM.

ORDER TO FIRE IN INDIA.

Calcutta, March 2. Twenty Mahomedans were killed and forty wounded as a result of firing ordered by the district magistrate of Backergunge district at Ponaballa village, about 200 miles from Calcutta.

It is reported that Hindus took out a religious procession to the accompaniment of music on the occasion of the Shivratri Festival.

When they approached the Mosque the Mahomedans resisted, but the magistrate persuaded them to disperse. However, the Mahomedans soon returned at the instigation of their religious head and defied the magistrate.

They attacked the magistrate and superintendent of police with a spear. Thereupon finding the situation getting out of control the magistrate ordered the firing. — Reuter.

LABRADOR DECISION.

Rugby, March 2. The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council have delivered their considered report on litigation of general historical interest and of particular practical importance to the Dominion of Canada and of the Colony of Newfoundland. "What is the location and definition of the boundary in the Labrador Peninsula under Statutes and in Council." This has been in dispute for many years. A decision has now been given in favour of Newfoundland, which thus acquires about 120,000 square miles in Labrador. Although apparently forbidding and inaccessible this territory is rich in timber suitable for pulp and paper and has considerable water power. — British Wireless Service.

HOLLAND AND OPIUM.

Geneva, March 2. The Dutch Government has deposited at the Secretariat of the League of Nations ratification of the International Opium Convention of 1925 which has now been ratified by Britain, France, India, Holland and Portugal. — Reuter.

"RED" CHIEF'S DEATH.

Chicago, March 2. The death is announced of Charles Ruthenberg, General Secretary of the Workers Party (Communist) organization in the United States; virtual chief of the Communists in America. — Reuter's American Service.

FURTHER PROOF.

GENUINENESS OF ZINOVIEFF LETTER.

"TRUSTWORTHY INFORMATION."

Rugby, March 2. Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, was asked in the House of Commons, whether anything had arisen either in the recent reply from the Soviet



Zinovieff, the Soviet leader whose letter to Communists in Britain incited them to open rebellion, brought about the downfall of the British Labour Government.

Government or from any other source throwing any doubt on the accuracy of the conclusion that the Zinovieff letter, which brought down the Labour Government in 1924, was not a forgery.

Sir Austen Chamberlain replied that nothing had arisen. On the contrary, two pieces of confirmatory evidence were available to the present Government which were not available to the Labour Government.

Asked if he was prepared to submit this evidence, Sir Austen Chamberlain replied: "No. Our sources of information are thoroughly trustworthy, but would not be available if they could be made public." — British Wireless Service.

Rugby, March 2.—The French cadets from Saint Cyr Military College, who are guests for a week at the Royal Military College at Sandhurst, visited Aldershot yesterday and saw a flying display by the Fourth Squadron of the Royal Air Force and a demonstration at the Army Gymnasium. They afterwards visited Windsor and Eton. — British Wireless Service.

Paris, March 3.—The papers report the recent signing in the Chamber of Deputies by the Rector of the Paris University of a deed donating 3,650,000 francs given by the Tokyo citizen, Jirochichi Satsuma, for the building and operation of an edifice to be reserved for Japanese studying in Paris, as well as for Japanese professors and scholars making researches in Paris. — Havas.

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TOO LATE?

APPEAL AGAINST A KWAI TRUSTEE.

A BANKRUPTCY CASE.

A formal objection led to the adjournment in the Supreme Court this morning of a case concerning A Kwai & Co., otherwise known as Yik Cheong-hong, shipchangers of 18 and 19 Connaught Road and interested in glass and soap manufacture in Kowloon.

The application was made by Mr. W. B. Hind (for debtors) appealing against the decision of the trustee in bankruptcy in eight cases where proofs of debt had been refused.

Mr. E. Davidson (for the trustee) pointed out that the applications were out of time as the date for appeal against the trustee's decision expired on February 27. Notices of motion were filed on the 24th and could have been before the Court on Saturday, February 26 when there was a sitting of the Bankruptcy Court. The affidavits in support of the motion had only been filed today.

On these grounds, Mr. Justice Wood adjourned the case sine die.

POLICE RAID.

THE PRINTING OF LOTTERY TICKETS.

A SEQUEL IN COURT.

Four Chinese were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning with unlawfully running a gambling establishment and with printing "po pin" lottery tickets. They all pleaded not guilty.

Sergt. Dyer said the first three men were arrested at the time of the police raid. The fourth accused came in while the police were there. He agreed with the Magistrate that man might be innocent.

The Magistrate ordered the fourth accused's discharge.

The case against the other three was then proceeded with. Police evidence was given that a raid was made at 4.30 p.m. on March 1 at a match on the hillside of Hop Chui village near Cape D'Aguilar.

The 1st accused was found inkling a type form. Second accused was working a hand press actually printing the tickets, some of which were produced in Court. Accused No. 3 was taking hand proofs from another type form. The accused were discharged on the first count of running a gambling establishment and convicted of printing the tickets. They were each fined \$100 or in default six months' hard labour.

NOTICE.

CRAIGENGOWER CRICKET CLUB.

A DANCE will be held at the Club House on SATURDAY, the 5th inst., at 9 p.m.

R. BASA, Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 3rd March, 1927.

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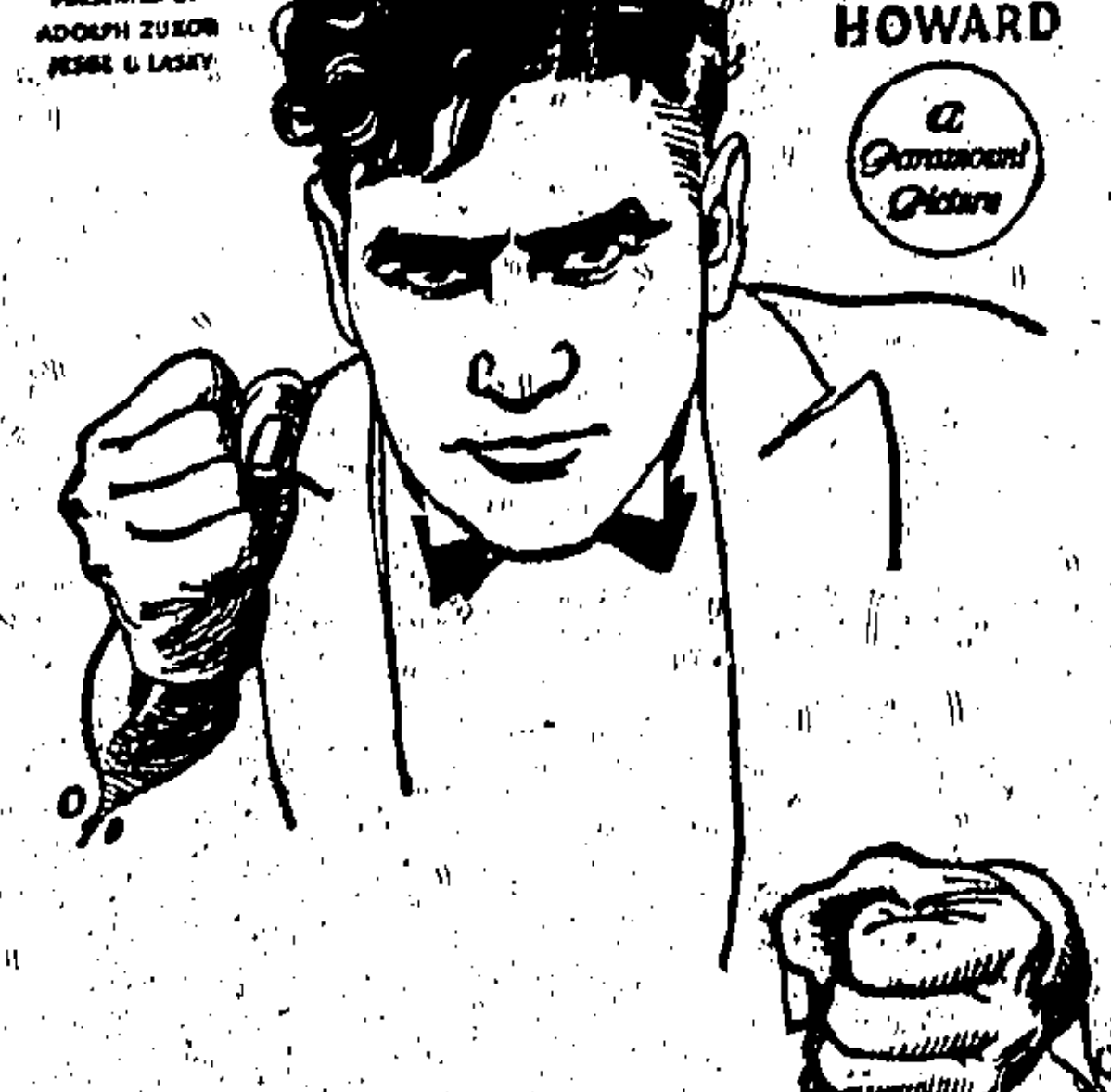
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